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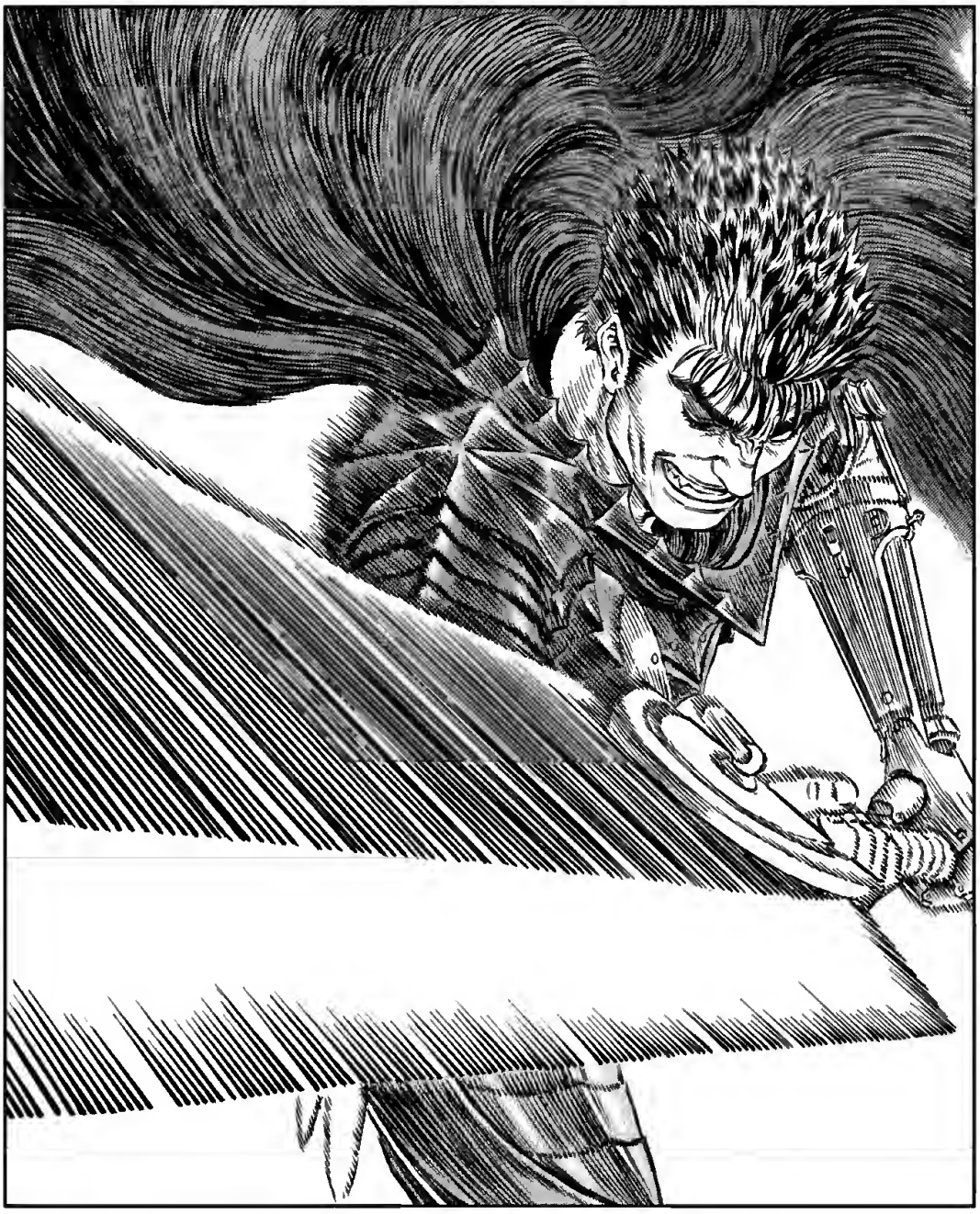

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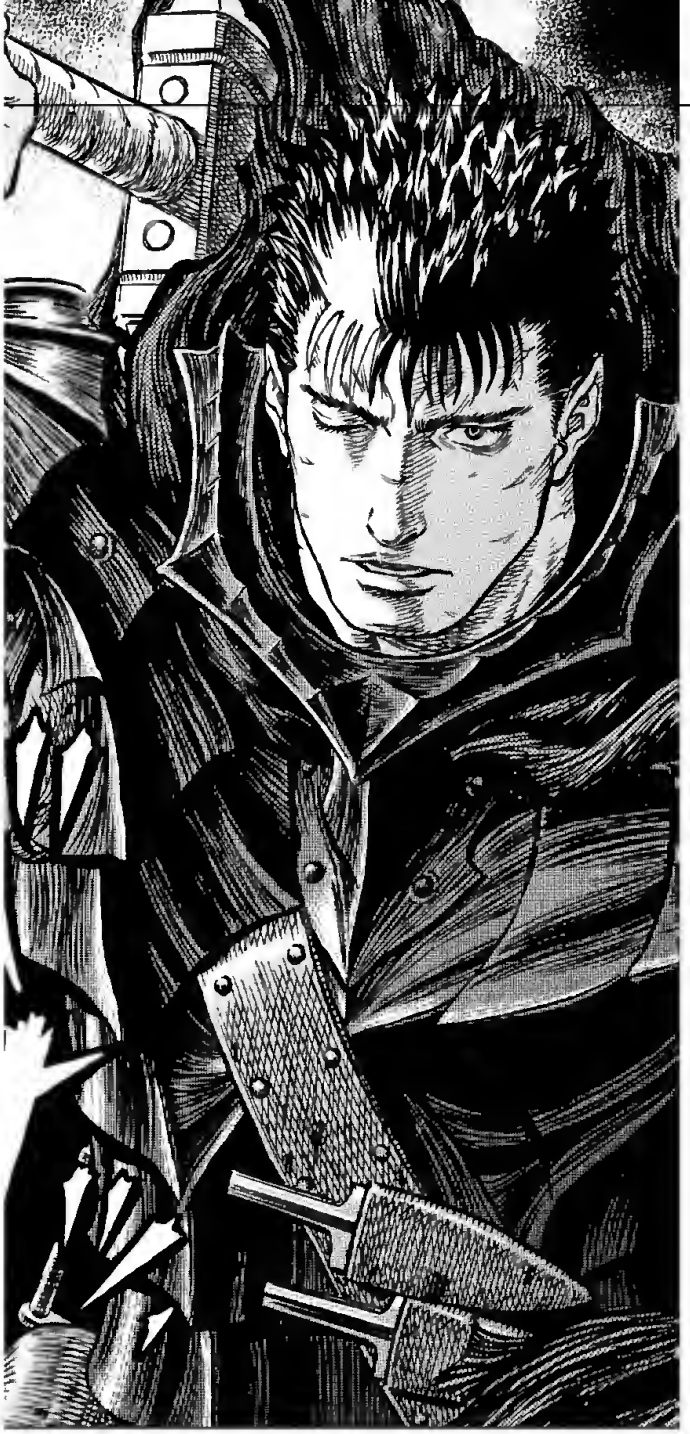
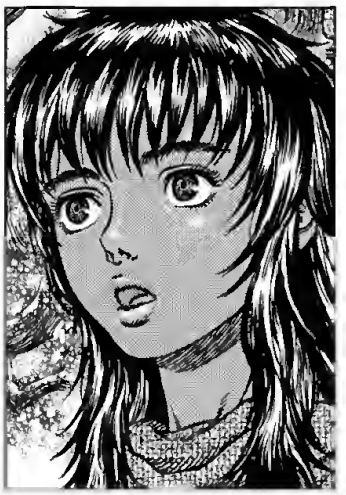


ガッツ *Guts*

The main character of the story, the Black Swordsman. He exists in the interstice, wears the Berserker armor, and his soul is constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.

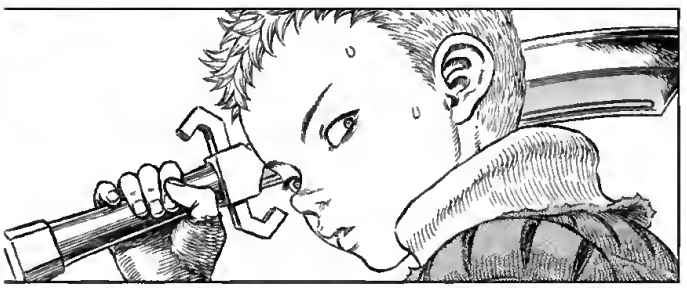


キャスカ *Casca*

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk; mentally regressed from her experience in the eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her brand, which reacts to evil, is narrowly shielded by Flora's talisman.

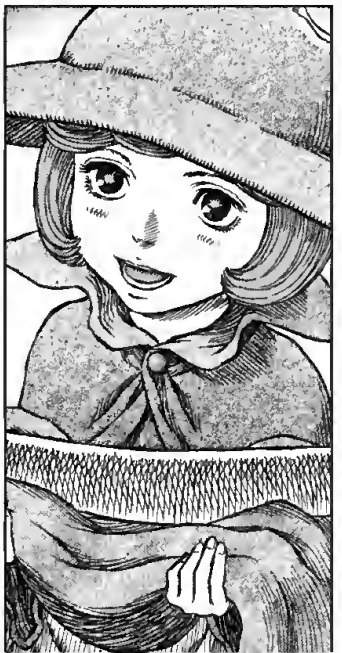
パック *Puck*

An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. He confirmed that he's a wind spirit, and he also changes into Chestnut Puck.



イシドロ *Isidro*

Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.

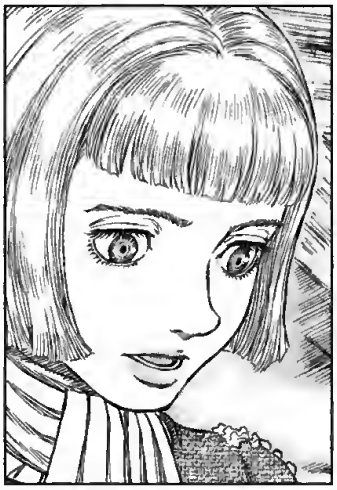


シールケ *Schierke*

Disciple of Flora, witch of the spirit tree mansion. She supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies. She has a stilted side to her personality.

グリフィス *Griffith*

Through the eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, he was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal. He leads the reborn Band of the Hawk.



ファルネーゼ *Farnese*

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights, and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival, and about the reality of the world.

セルピコ *Serpico*

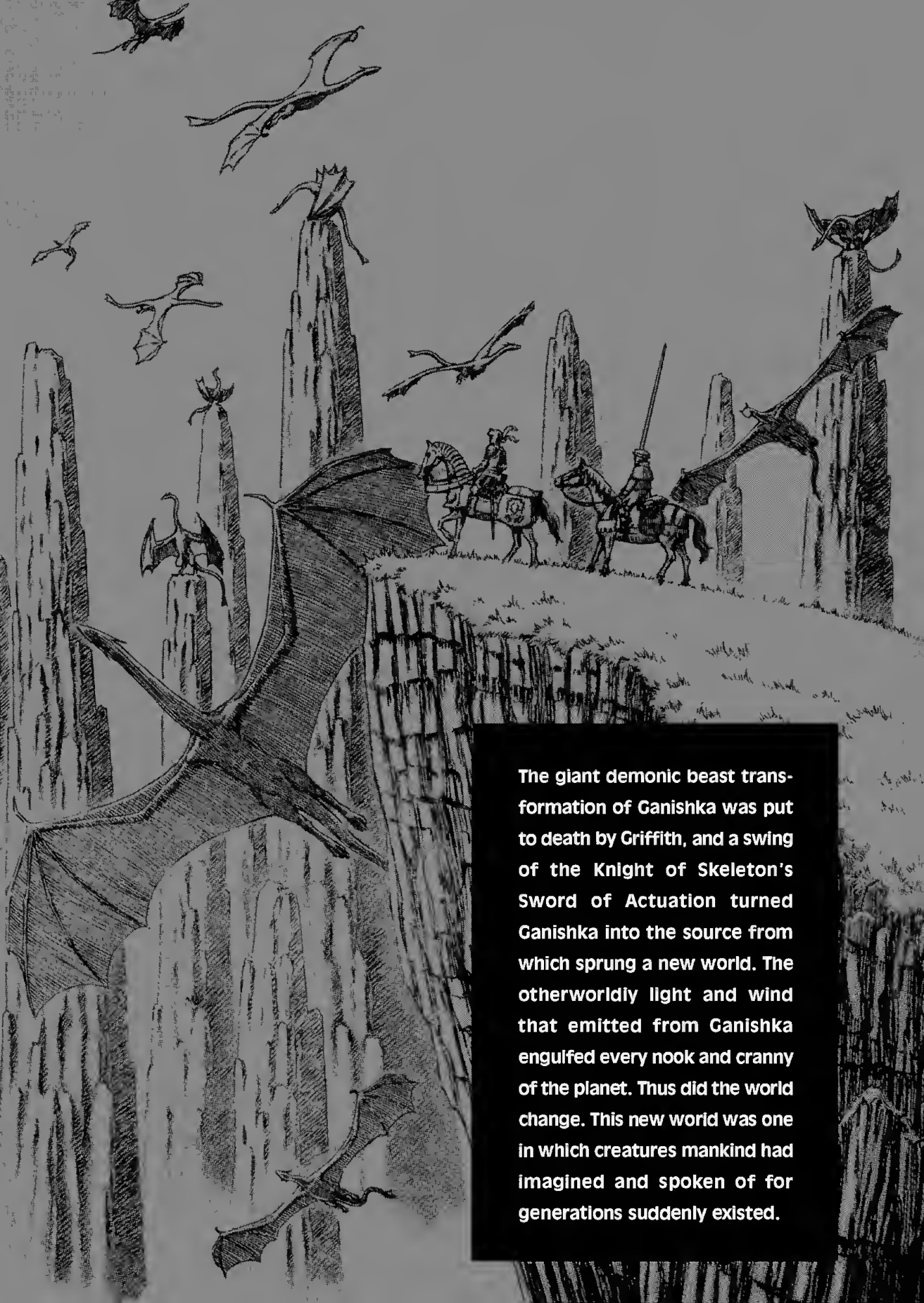
Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother. However, Farnese is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting, and currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.

ロデリック *Roderick*

Captain of the naval vessel *Seahorse* and third in line to the royal throne of Iith, a maritime power within the domain of the Holy See. He is a friend of Farnese's brother and has become her fiancé. He is currently taking Guts and the others to Skellig Island, where the Elfhelm is located.

マニフィコ *Magnifico*

Third son of the Vandimion family, and Farnese's legitimate brother. He is also a friend of Roderick's. Though he's an ordinary person, the course of events has led him to accompany Guts' group.



The giant demonic beast transformation of Ganishka was put to death by Griffith, and a swing of the Knight of Skeleton's Sword of Actuation turned Ganishka into the source from which sprung a new world. The otherworldly light and wind that emitted from Ganishka engulfed every nook and cranny of the planet. Thus did the world change. This new world was one in which creatures mankind had imagined and spoken of for generations suddenly existed.

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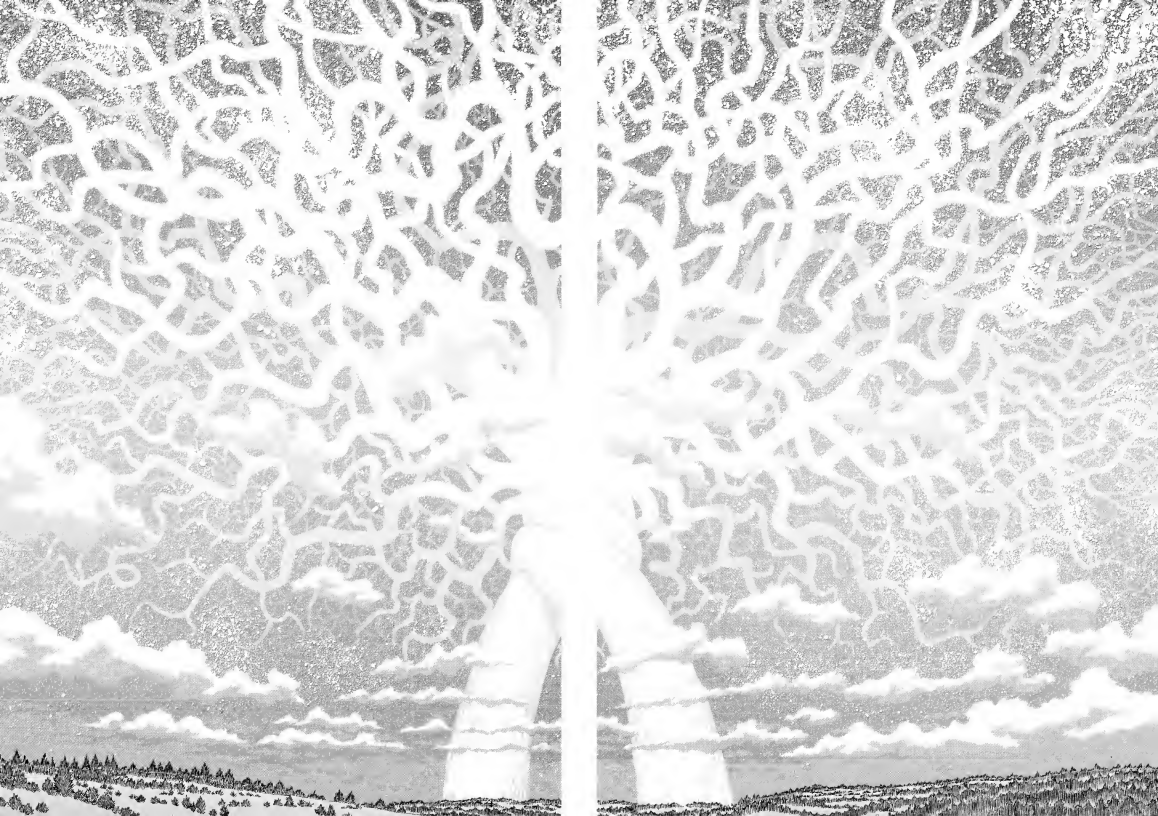
ファルコニア

FALCONIA



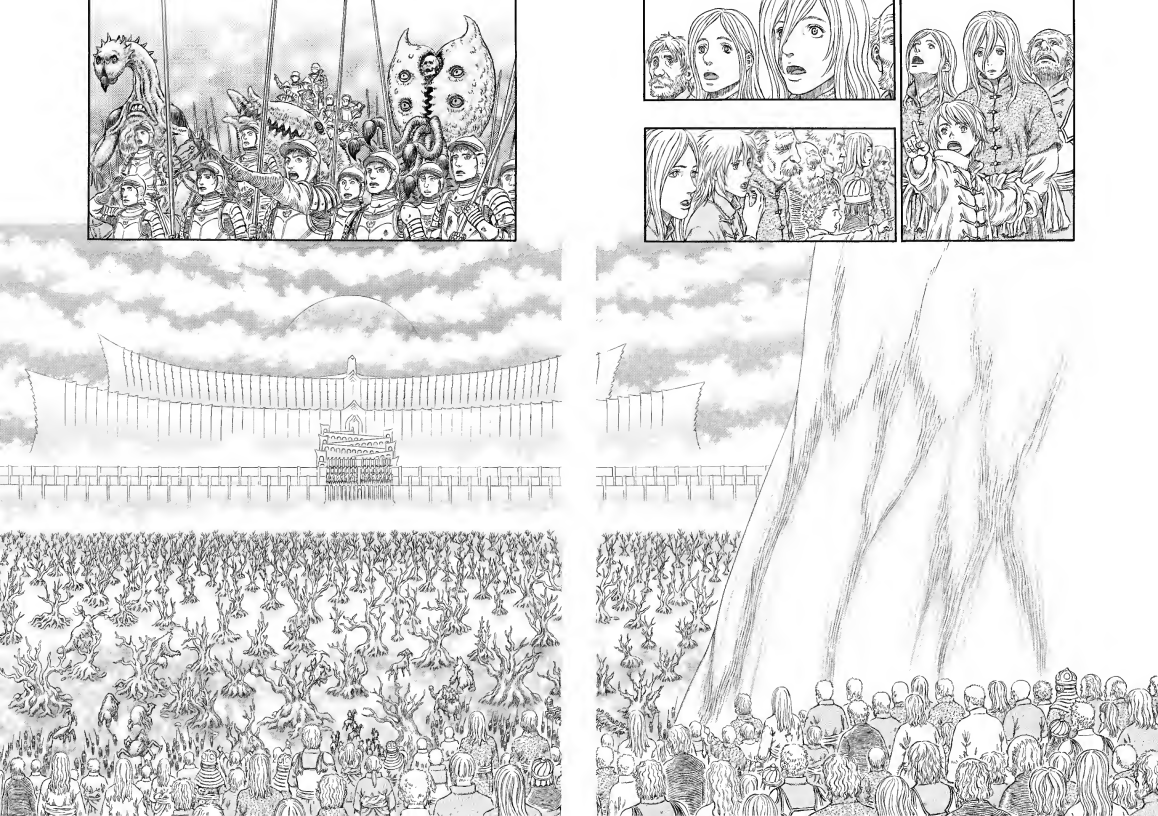
IT WAS LIKE THE VERY ESSENCE OF "TREE" ITSELF.

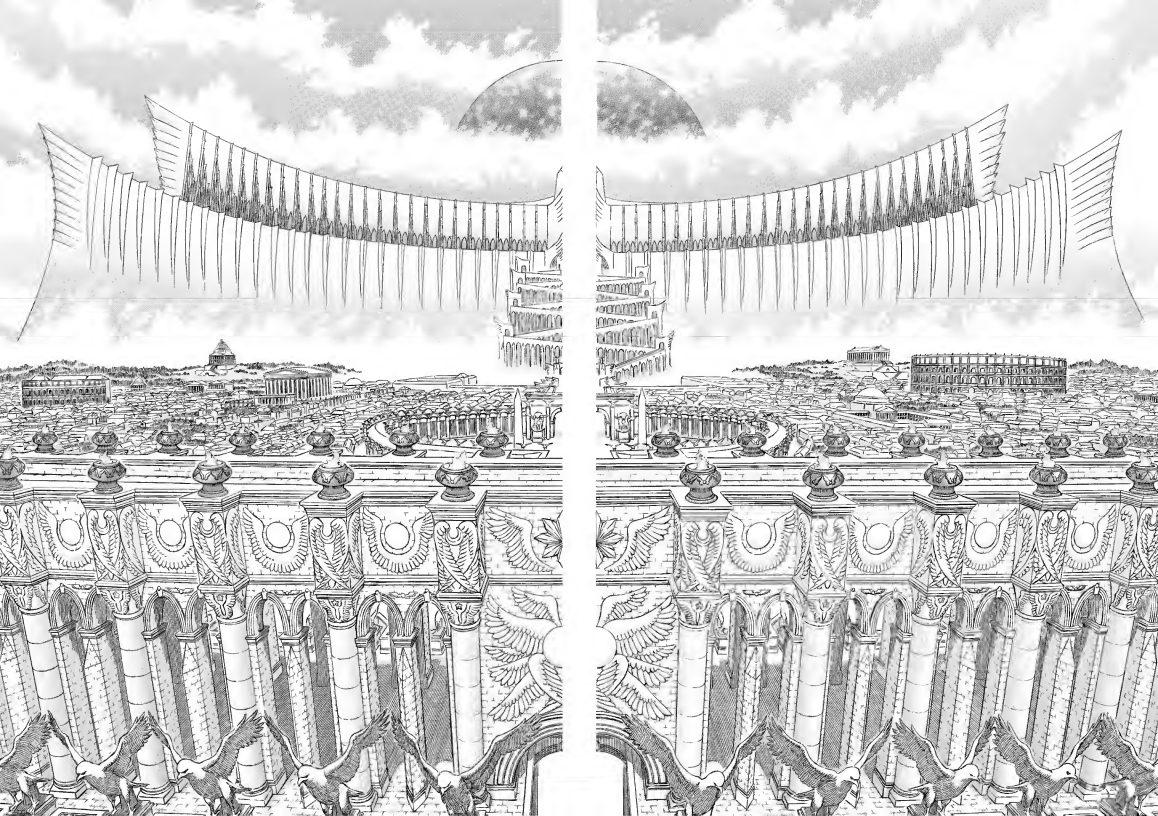
AS IF IT WERE THE ORIGIN ROOTED DEEP WITHIN ALL MANKIND.

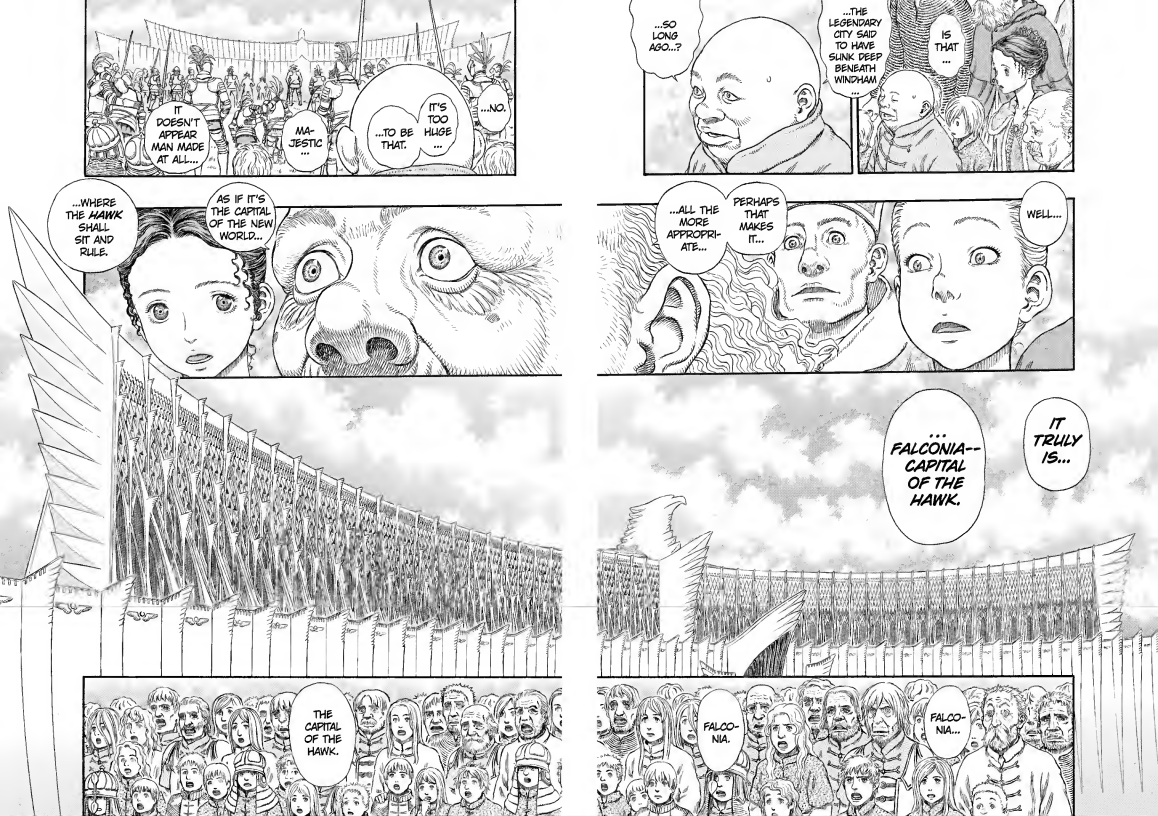
LIKE THE WESTERN TREE OF RITUAL, SIGNIFYING THE REASON OF ALL CREATION...

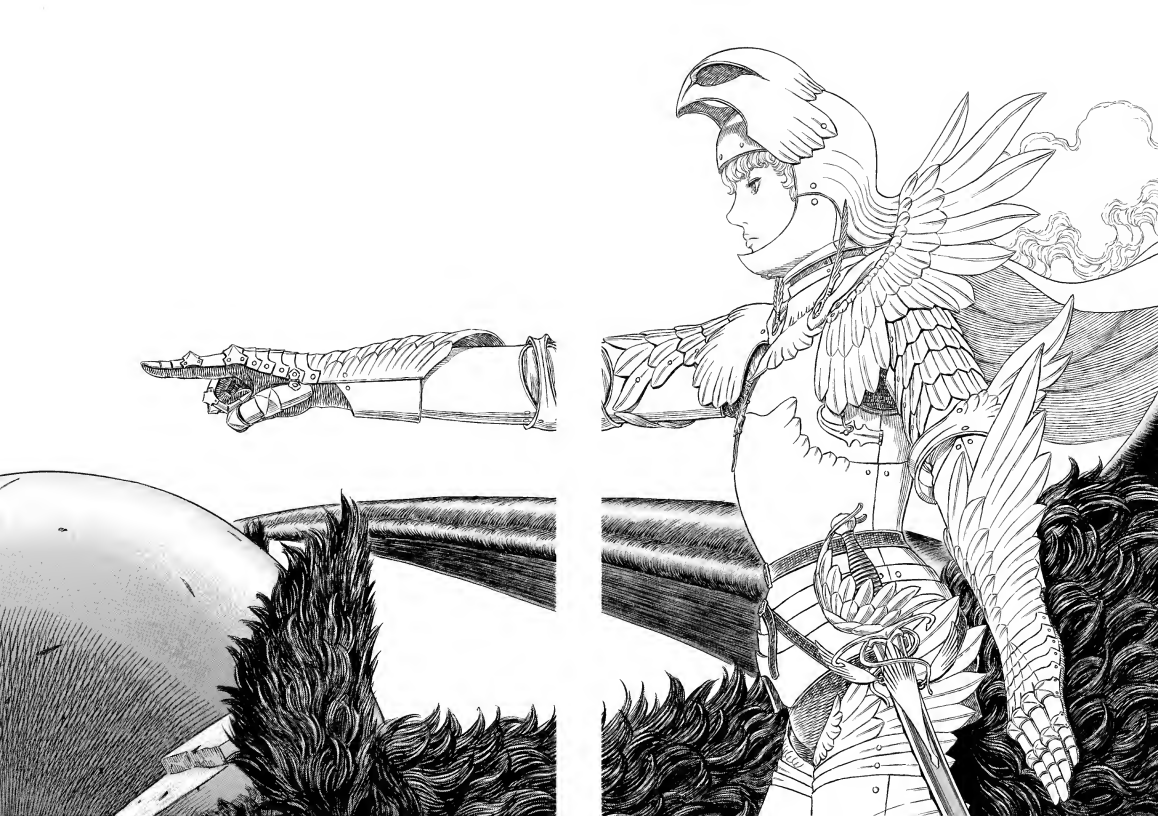
LIKE THE EASTERN TREE OF SUTRA, WHERE THE SAGE MEETS WITH ENLIGHTENMENT...

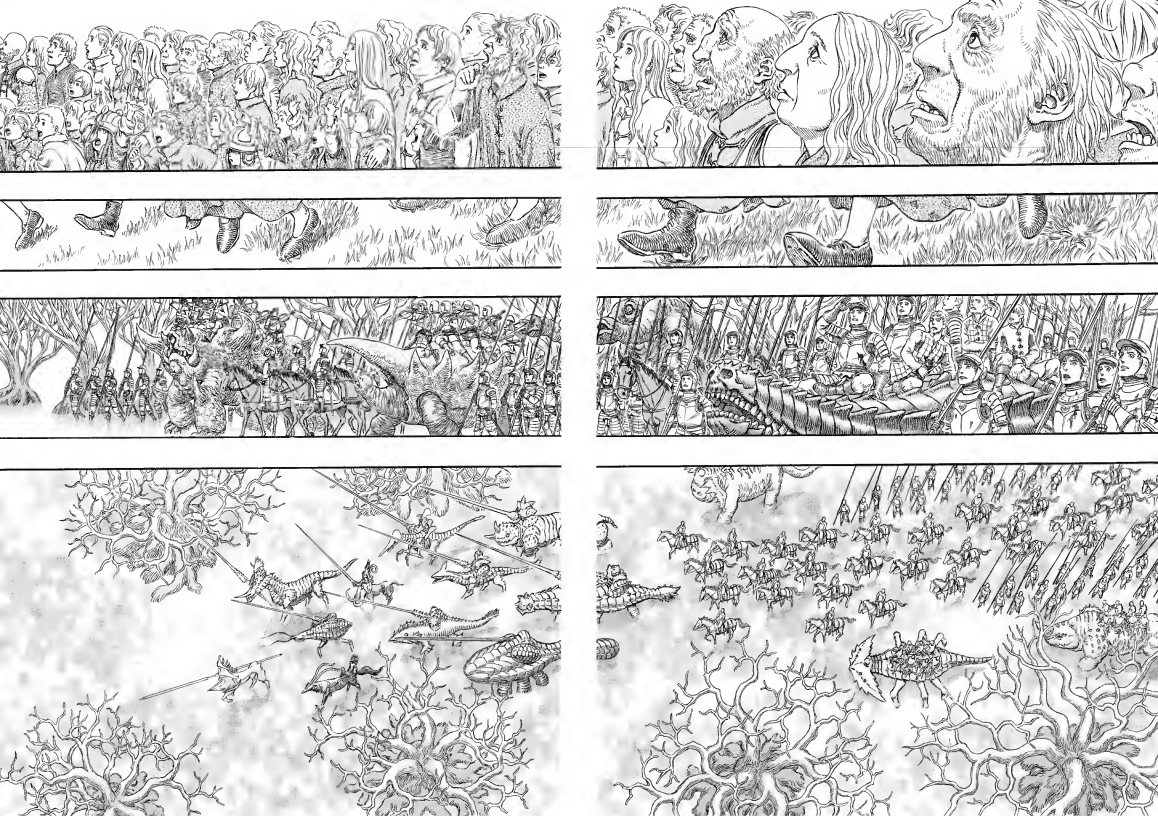
LIKE THE NORTHERN TREE OF MYTH, PIERCING THE HEAVENS AND REACHING TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH...

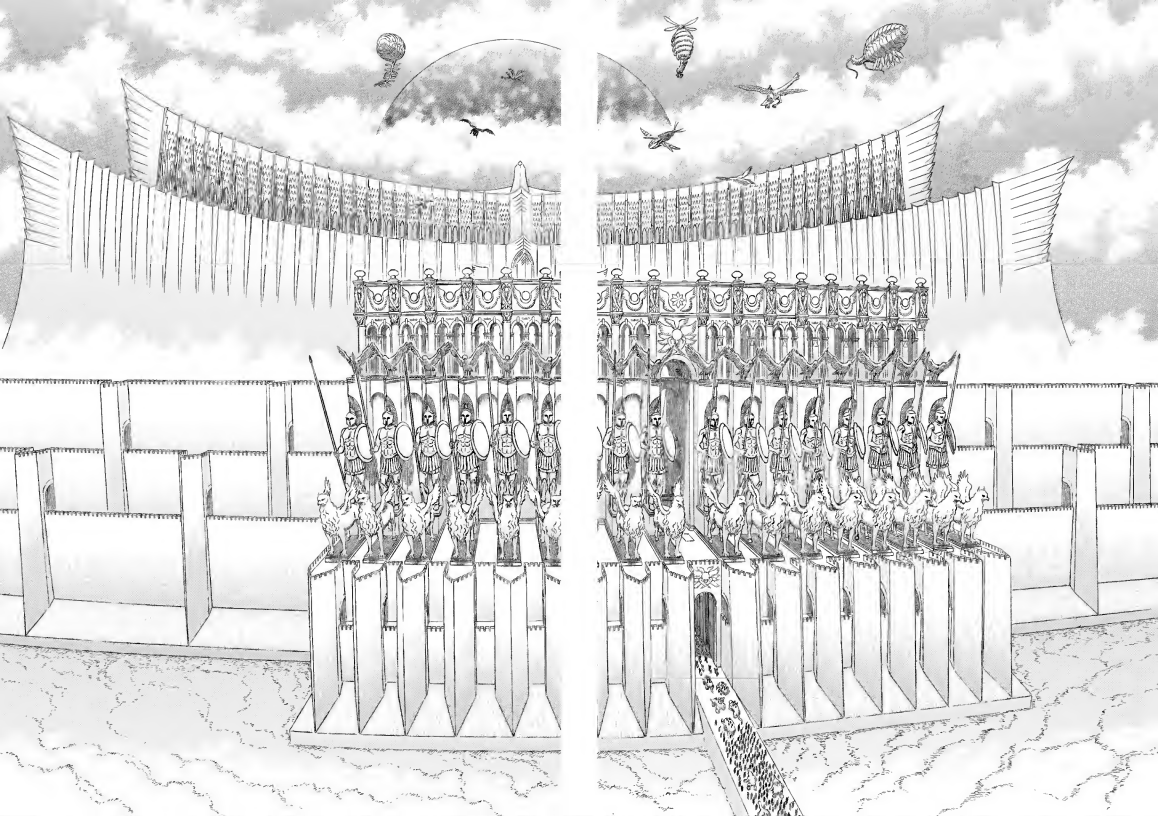





IT DOESN'T APPEAR MAN MADE AT ALL...
MA-JESTIC...
...TO BE THAT.
IT'S TOO HUGE...
...NO.
...SO LONG AGO...?
...THE LEGENDARY CITY SAID TO HAVE SUNK DEEP BENEATH WINDHAM...
IS THAT...
...WHERE THE HAWK SHALL SIT AND RULE.
AS IF IT'S THE CAPITAL OF THE NEW WORLD...
...ALL THE MORE APPROPRI-ATE...
PERHAPS THAT MAKES IT...
WELL...
...FALCONIA--CAPITAL OF THE HAWK.
IT TRULY IS...
THE CAPITAL OF THE HAWK.
FALCO-NIA.
FALCO-NIA...







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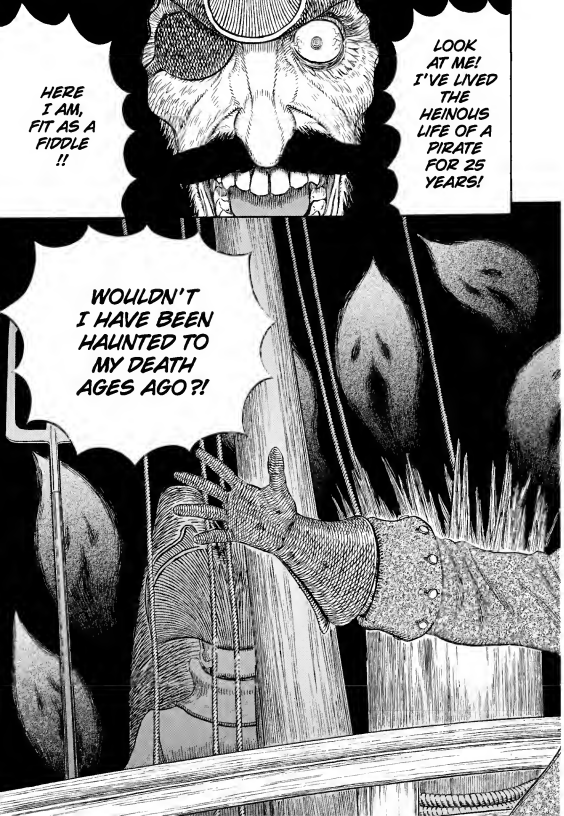
幽霊船 ①

GHOST SHIP, PART 1

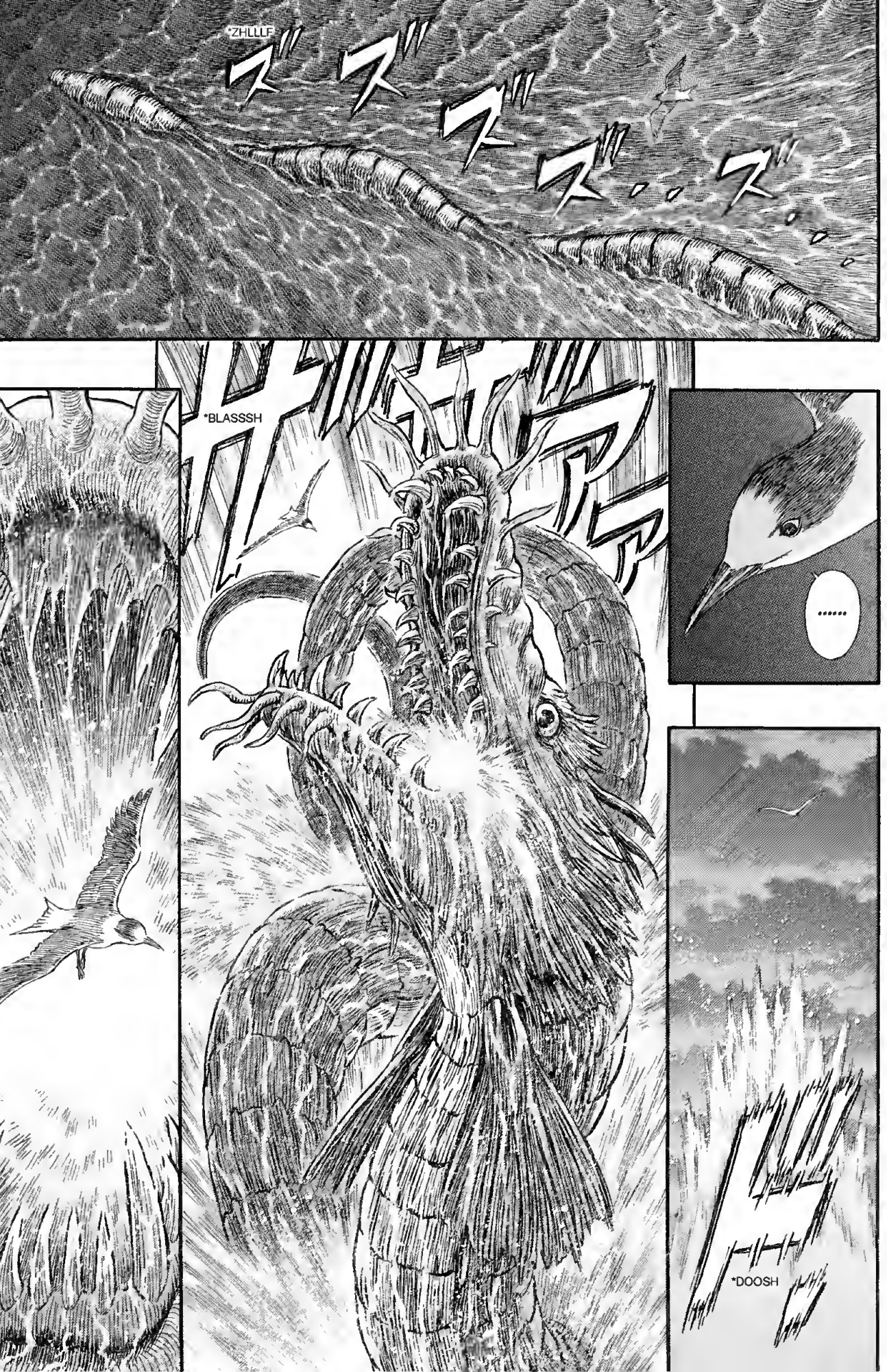
NO SIGN OF ANY SHIPS AHEEEAD.
ISN'T IT HIGH TIME WE GAVE UP?
BOSS MAN.
AND WHAT'S WORSE, WE'RE JAM-PACKED WITH THREE SHIPS' WORTH OF CREW. THERE'S NO TELLIN' WHEN WE'LL RUN OUT OF FOOD.
WE CAN'T EVEN MAKE HEADWAY IN THESE DEAD-CALM SEAS.
THEY'RE ALL SO WORKED UP, THEY MIGHT EVEN MUTINY...!
AGAH ! ....
CHIK
YEEEK ! ....
IF YOU CAN'T SPOT SOMETHING BY MORNING, YOU'LL FIND YOURSELF PROMOTED TO SHARK BAIT.
I MEAN, SHE'S ALREADY WAY OVER THE HORIZON.
NEVER MIND CATCHING UP TO HER--IT'S ALL WE CAN DO JUST TO STAY AFLOAT...

HONESTLY, THAT'D BE A GODSEND. WE COULD USE THE TRAITORS AS *BAIT* TO CATCH SHARKS OR SOMETHING, AND KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE.
-SCRAPE
VINDICTIVE-NESS IS WHAT GIVES A PIRATE HIS VIGOR.
WE WON'T GO HUNGRY IF OUR BELLIES'RE FILLED WITH RAGE.

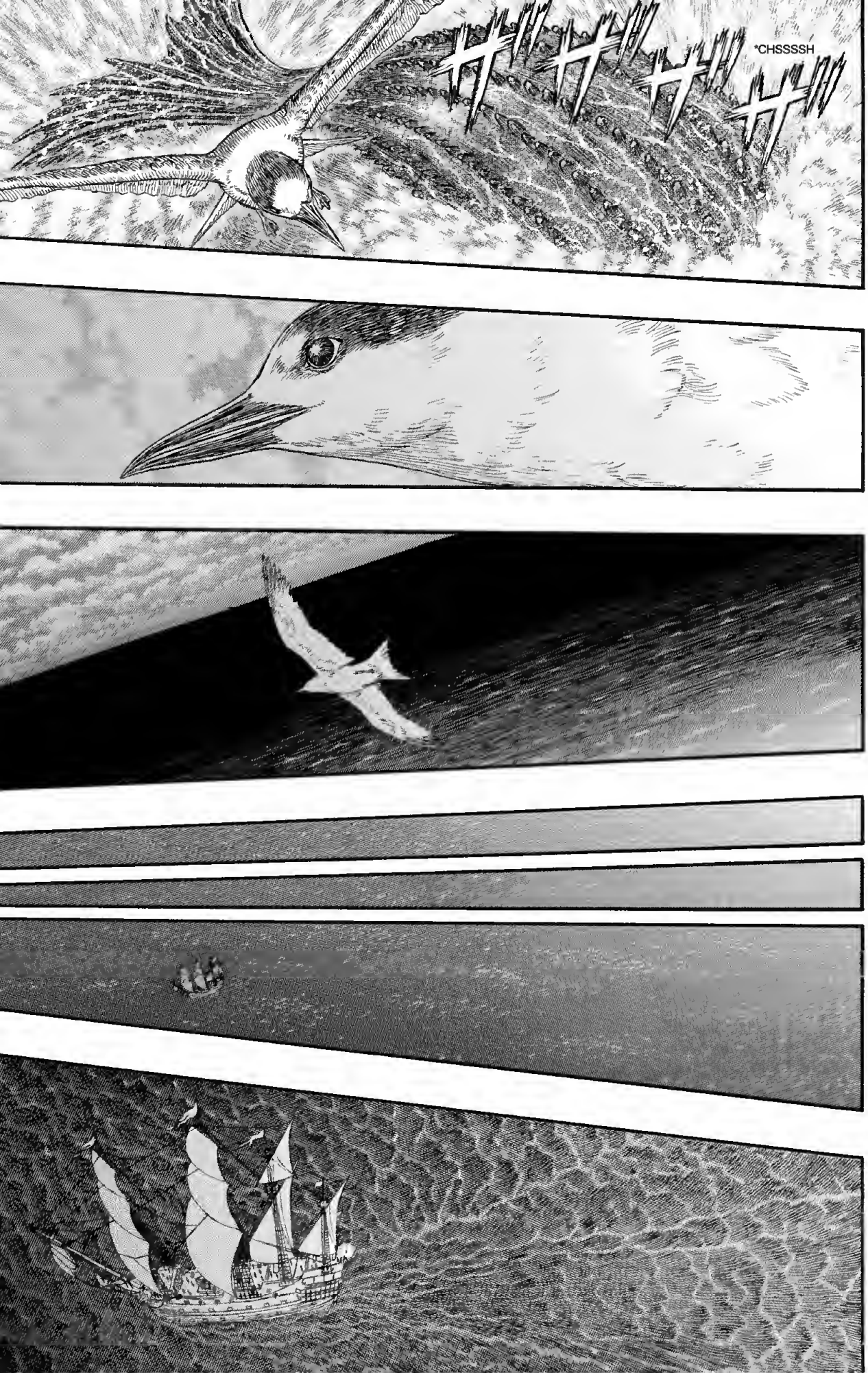
I SWEAR I'LL CHASE HIM TO THE EDGE OF THE WORLD, THEN SEND HIM TO DAVY JONES' LOCKER.
THAT BLASTED IITHIAN STALLION.
IN THIS BUSINESS, YOU'RE FINISHED ONCE SOMEONE MAKES A FOOL OF YOU.
WE'RE ALREADY HALFWAY THERE OURSELVES.
YOU KNOW! EVER SINCE THAT STRANGE "WIND" BLEW THROUGH...
THERE'S BEEN STRANGE RUMORS GOIN' ROUND THE SHIP LATELY...
B-BUT BOSS MAN.
WHAT? AIN'T YOU *DONE* YET?
I'VE BEEN A SAILOR A LONG TIME, BUT NEVER BEFORE HAD I LAID EYES ON THE LIKES OF THAT.
IT'S TRUE.
IT FELT LIKE SOMETHIN' BLEW RIGHT THROUGH MY VERY BODY...
...AHH.
THAT WIND, EH?

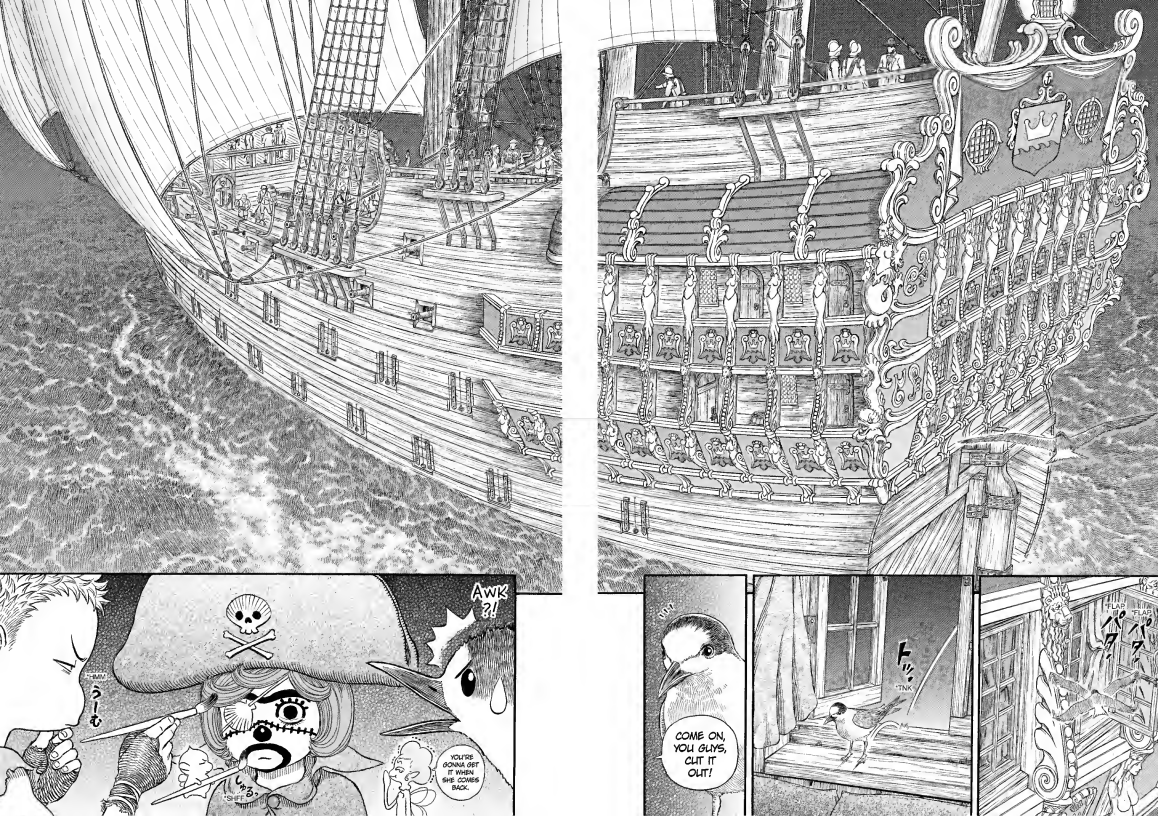

HERE I AM, FIT AS A FIDDLE !!
LOOK AT ME! I'VE LIVED THE HEINOUS LIFE OF A PIRATE FOR 25 YEARS!
WOULDN'T I HAVE BEEN HAUNTED TO MY DEATH AGES AGO?!

B-BUT...
IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME SEA DOGS!
FEH!
GHOSTS?! MONSTERS?! IT'S ALL SUPERSTITION!
...OR GIGANTIC SHADOWS CROSSING BENEATH THE SURFACE.
EVERYBODY'S SCARED SHITLESS WITH THOSE RUMORS FLYIN' ABOUT.
SINCE THEN, THERE'S BEEN REPORTS OF DEAD FORMER CREWMEN WALKING ON THE BULWARKS...
IF THOSE THINGS REALLY DO EXIST...


*ZHLLLF
ズズズズ…ズ…
*BLASSSH
……
*DOOSH

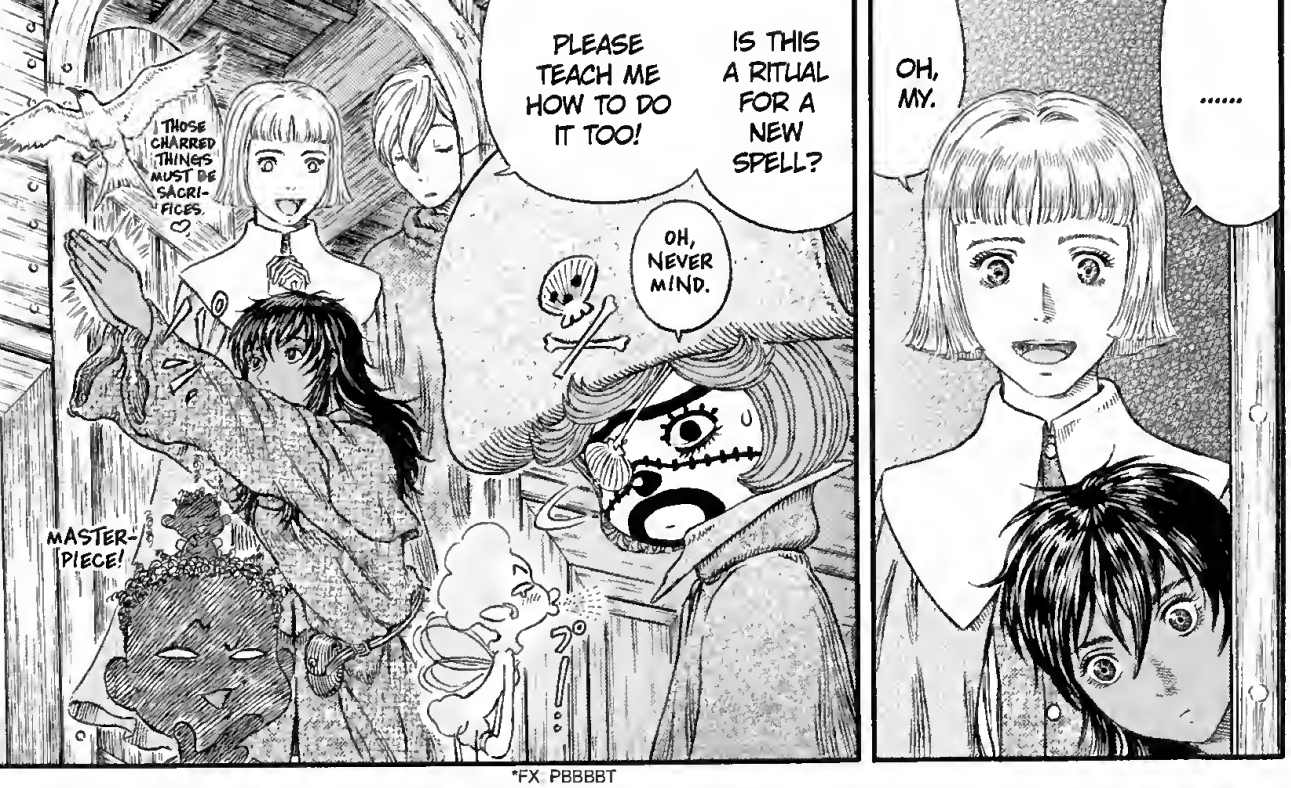
*CHOMP
*VSSHHHH


*CHSSSSH



FLAP
FLAP
パタ
パタ
トッ
TNK
COME ON, YOU GUYS, CUT IT OUT!
AWK ?!
うーむ
しゅる
SHIT
YOU'RE GONNA GET IT WHEN SHE COMES BACK.

スコココ
*FX: TOK TOK TOK TOK
すたっ
*LAND
*RAGE
しゃっ
*FLASH
EXPLAIN YOURSELVES !!!
DON'T MESS AROUND WITH MY OUT-OF-BODY EXPERIENCES!
IVAAALE-RAAA...
HEY, THEY SNUCK IN WHILE I WAS TAKIN' A QUICK NAP.
*PBBT
I NEVER GUESSED IT'D BE THIS FUN...
I MEAN, THIS TRAGIC.
IT WAS JUST SO EASY... I HAD TO...
*SNAP
*CRACKLE
THE ARTISTIC MUSE MADE US DO IT...
*SMOLDER
*FX: EEK!
MIS-TRESS, HAVE YOU RE-TURNED ?
*GCHAK
DON'T OPEN THAT!!


THOSE CHARRED THINGS MUST BE SACRI-FICES. ♡
MASTER-PIECE!
PLEASE TEACH ME HOW TO DO IT TOO!
IS THIS A RITUAL FOR A NEW SPELL?
OH, NEVER MIND.
OH, MY.
.....

*FX PBBBBT

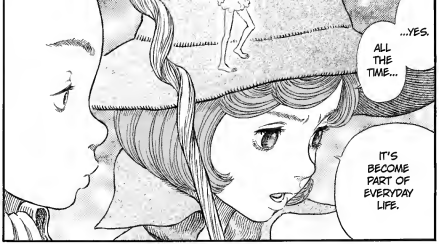
I HAVE SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT I MUST TELL EVERYONE...
...THAT DOESN'T MATTER.
...AM I TOO LATE?!
*FWEEEEE
!
*THUNK
*THUNK
*THUNK

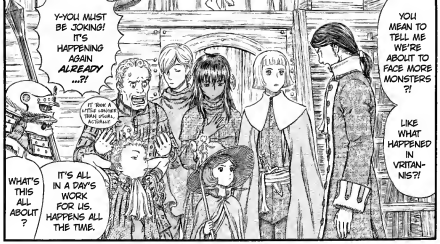
THEY SURE ARE A TENACIOUS BUNCH.
SURE ENOUGH, IT'S THE PIRATE SHIP THAT SURVIVED OUR BATTLE.

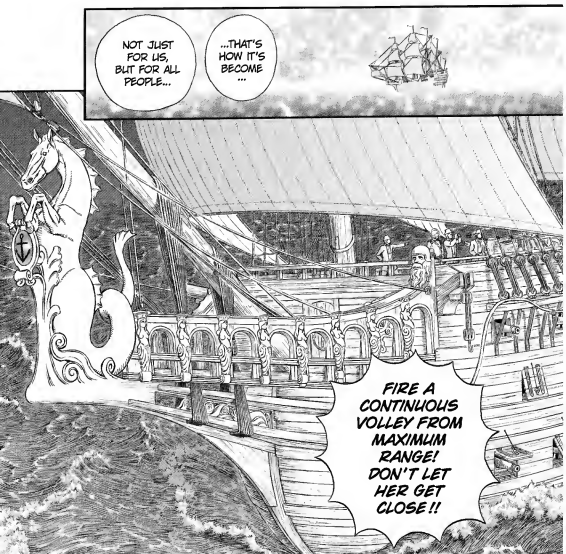
ALL HANDS TO BATTLE STA-TIONS!!
WELL, ANYWAY ...

HOW CAN THIS BE, THOUGH?
THEY'RE GAINING ON THE SEA HORSE IN THAT HEAVILY DAMAGED CARRACK.
WHAT TRICK ARE THEY USING...?

IT'S ABOUT THOSE WHO ARE DRAWING NEAR TO THIS SHIP...
RODER-ICK.
NO MORE ROCKING THE BOAT!
WHOA! PIRATES AGAIN ?!
I MUST TELL YOU SOMETHING IMPORTANT.
YES, BUT...
SORRY, BUT I'M BUSY AT THE MOMENT. YOU GUESTS SHOULD RETURN TO THE HOLD...
*FX: OOO...
...SOMETHING OTHER THAN HUMAN.
THEY ARE...

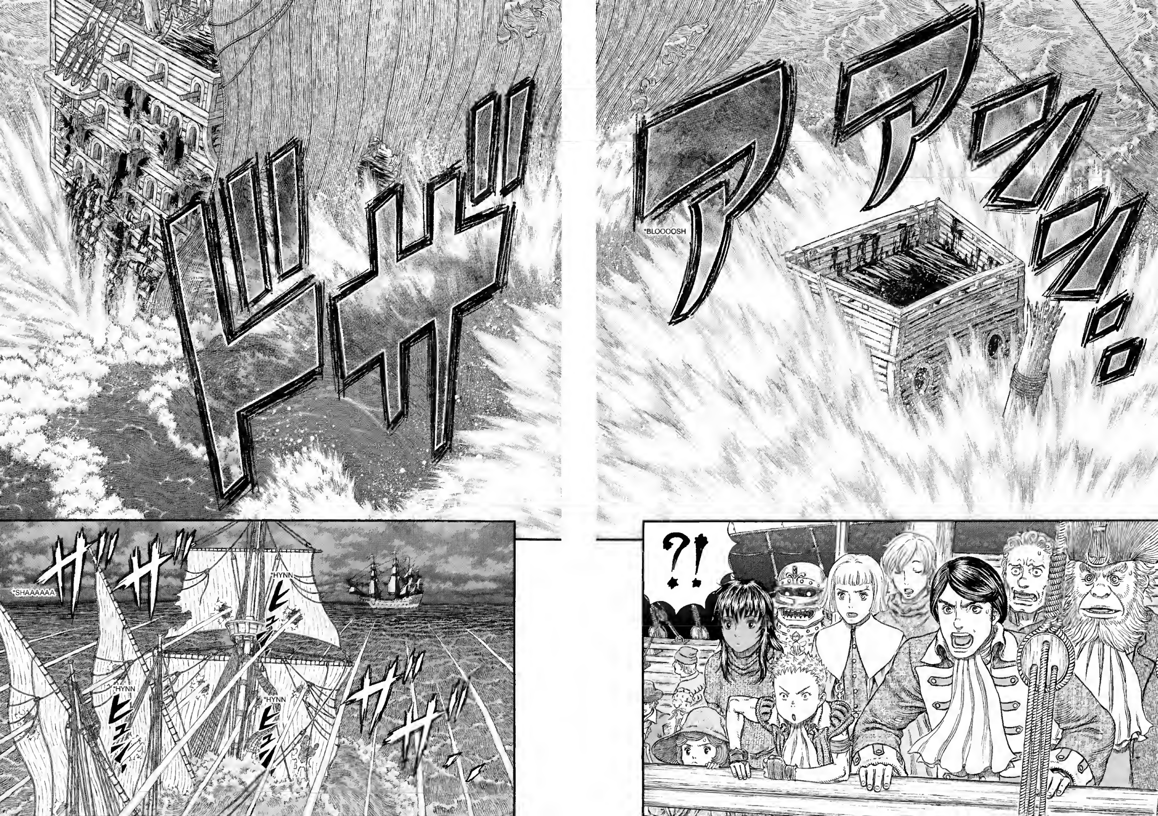

...YES.
ALL THE TIME...
IT'S BECOME PART OF EVERYDAY LIFE.


Y-YOU MUST BE JOKING! IT'S HAPPENING AGAIN ALREADY ...?!
IT TOOK A LITTLE LONGER THAN USUAL, ACTUALLY.
IT'S ALL IN A DAY'S WORK FOR US. HAPPENS ALL THE TIME.
WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT ?
YOU MEAN TO TELL ME WE'RE ABOUT TO FACE MORE MONSTERS ?!
LIKE WHAT HAPPENED IN VRITANNIS?!

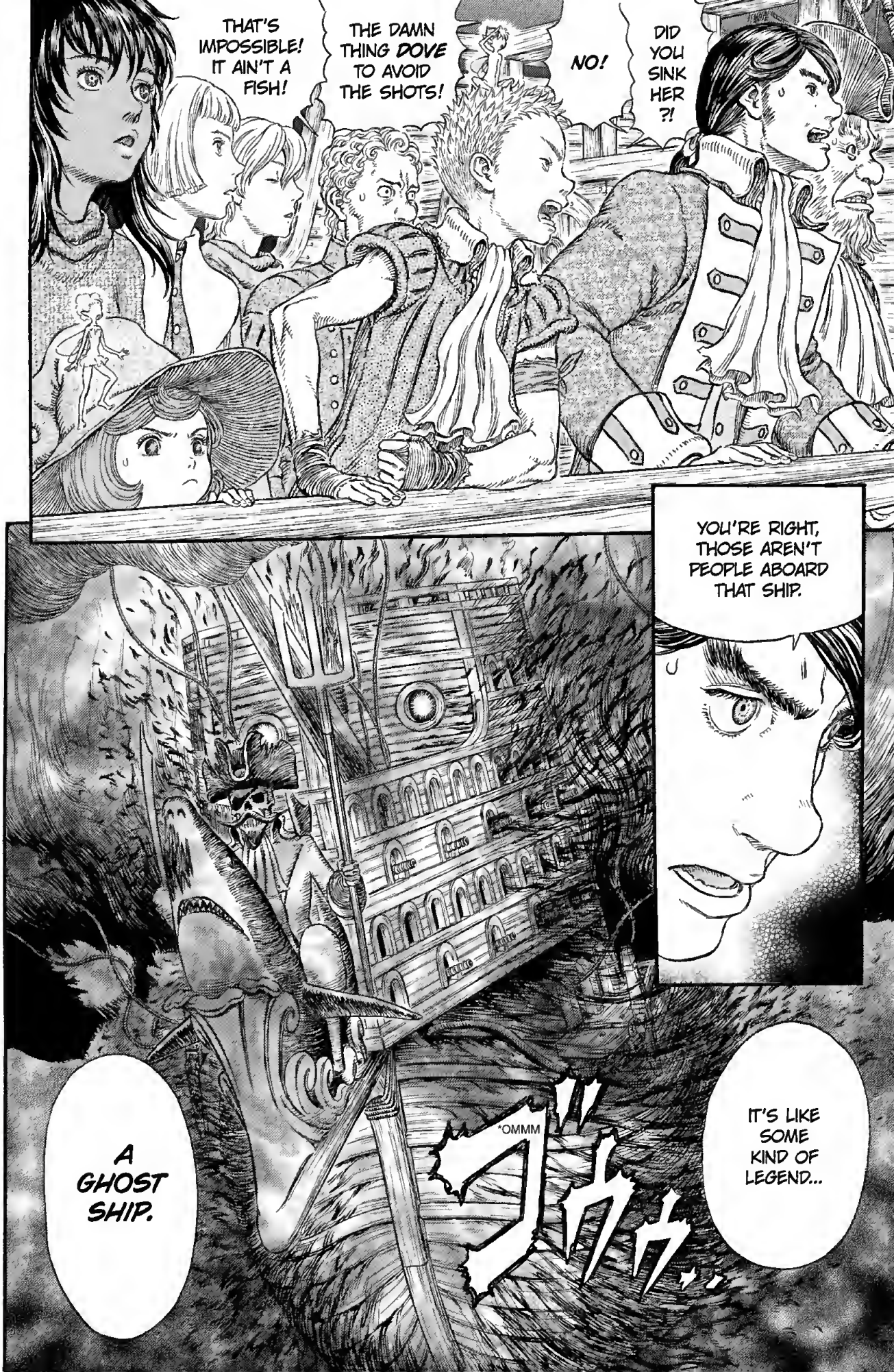

NOT JUST FOR US, BUT FOR ALL PEOPLE...
...THAT'S HOW IT'S BECOME ...
FIRE A CONTINUOUS VOLLEY FROM MAXIMUM RANGE! DON'T LET HER GET CLOSE !!

...WHEN THAT "WIND" BLEW THROUGH...
EVER SINCE THAT DAY...
ANY-WAY...
...THEY'LL LEARN NOT TO UNDERESTI-MATE ME.
OPEN ALL PORT-SIDE GUN PORTS !!
TO PORT !!
BRING US ABOUT ...

*WHOM
*SINK
*ROOM
*ROOM



*BLOOOOSH
?!
*SHAAAAAA
ザザ
*HYNN
ヒュン
*HYNN
*HYNN


THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! IT AIN'T A FISH!
THE DAMN THING DOVE TO AVOID THE SHOTS!
NO!
DID YOU SINK HER ?!
YOU'RE RIGHT, THOSE AREN'T PEOPLE ABOARD THAT SHIP.
*OMMM
IT'S LIKE SOME KIND OF LEGEND...
A GHOST SHIP.

SORRY, BUT I MIGHT NEED YOUR HELP WITH THIS BATTLE AFTER ALL.
*STRETCH
LEAVE IT TO US! YOU'RE IN GOOD HANDS!
SWEET! WE FINALLY GET A TURN ?!
AWW, WHAT A PAIN.
*WHAP
DEPENDING ON WHAT HAPPENS...
...WE MIGHT NEED OUR GUEST IN THE CABIN, TOO...
ガチャ
*CHAK

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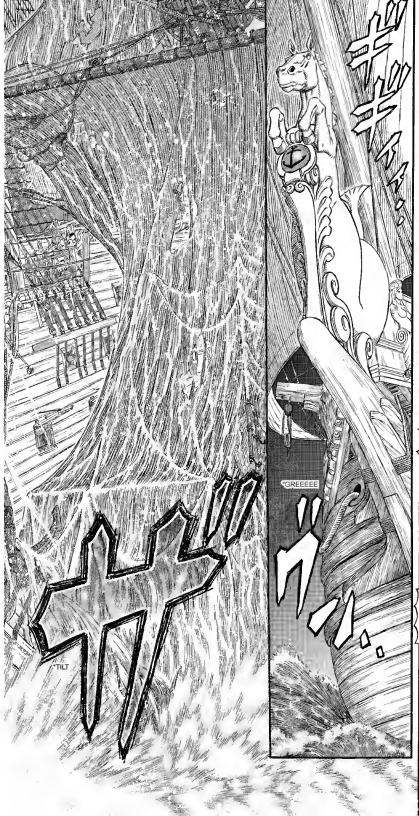
GHOST SHIP, PART 2

*ZHM
*ZHM
*ZHM
*OOOOSH

*BLOOOOSH


*TILT
*GREEEEE
THE ENEMY SHIP IS SURFACING TOWARDS THE SEA HORSE!!
OH, NO!! THEY'RE TRYING TO CAPSIZE US FROM BELOW!!
STAR-BOARD THE HELM!!
QUICK-LY!!
*FX. CLATA CLATA

*EEEEK
キャアア
*GRAB
ガしっ
*CLONG
ゴイン
*WHUMP
ベしっ
*WHAMMM
*WHAP WHAP
CRUSHED
SUFFOCATED
ALL HANDS, PREPARE FOR HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT!!

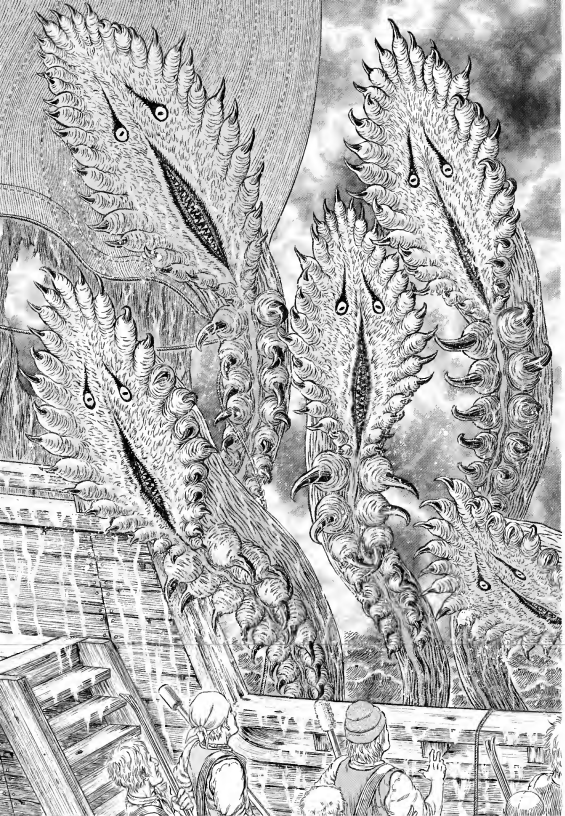
*GSHANNNG
*SHAAAAA

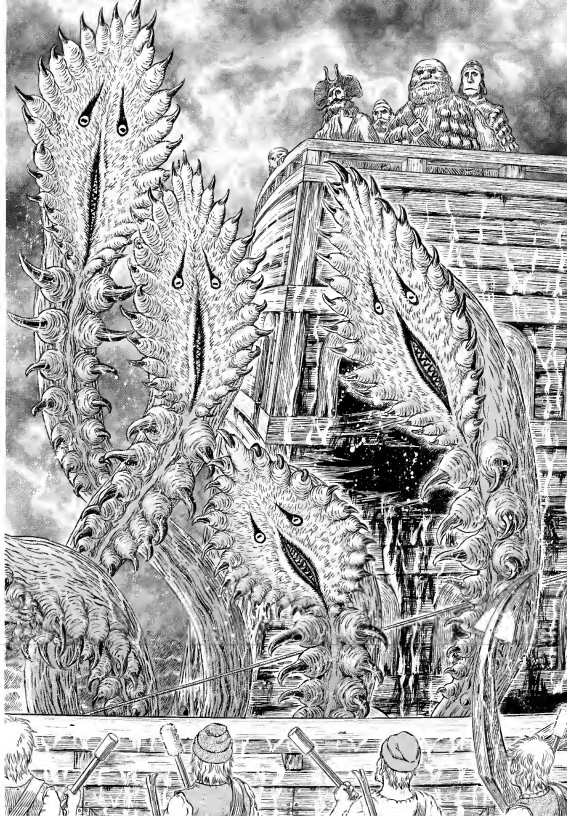
BE CARE-FUL.
PLEASE DON'T ROCK THE BOAT ANY-MORE!
IS THERE NOBODY ON-BOARD ?
WHY AREN'T THEY ATTACK-ING?
IT'S AS IF THAT SHIP ITSELF IS SOME KIND OF DARK CREATURE...
I SENSE...
...A WICKED OD.
THERE BE A SHARP LASS!
YO HO HO
!

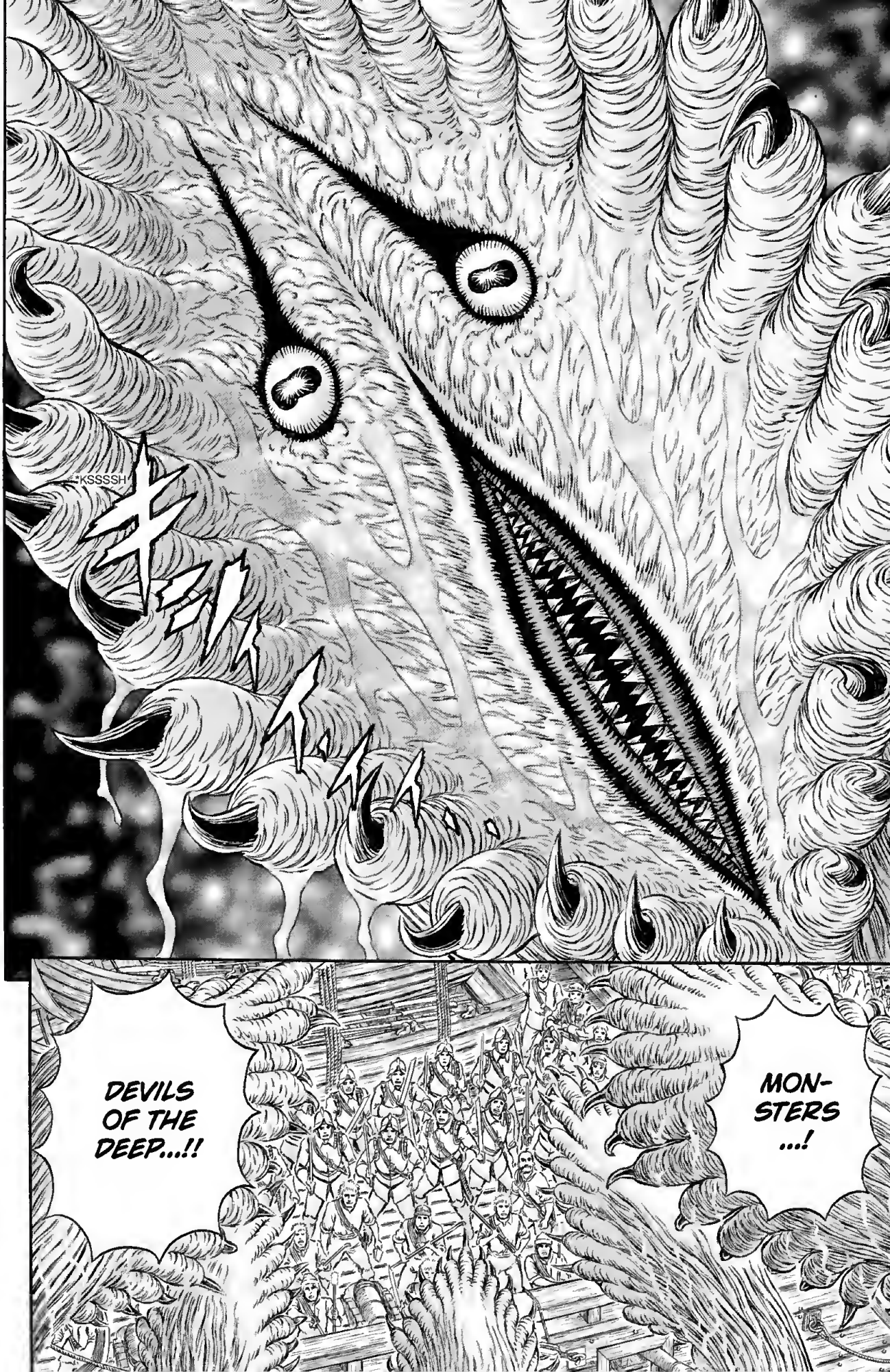
YOUR LORDSHIP RODERICK, THE SAILING PRINCE OF IITH.
WE MEET AT LAST...
...OF THIS HERE CAPTAIN SHARKRIDER.
WE ARE THE BONEBEARD PIRATE CLAN.
PLEASED TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINT-ANCE.
I'M CAPTAIN BONEBEARD...

SOME OF YOU LOOK FAMILIAR...
AVAST! NOBODY'S ALLOWED TO SAY THAT! ...
IT'S THE DROWNING PIRATE I SANK!
MAYBE?
DO YOU KNOW HIM?
WE SAW HIM AT THE HARBOR IN VRITANNIS!
AH!
OHH!
AHH!
AHH!!
HI THERE.
NOW I REMEMBER YOU LOT...!
WITH TEARS IN OUR EYES, WE WENT BACK TO PIRATING, AND NOW TWO OF OUR PRIZED SHIPS HAVE SUNK...! EVERYTHING WAS GRAND UNTIL YOU MEDDLING KIDS ROBBED US OF OUR VERY WILL TO WORK!
OF ALL PEOPLE, IT HAD TO BE YOU AGAIN?! YOU KNOW, THAT'S WHEN ALL THIS BAD LUCK STARTED. WE HAD QUIT PIRATING AND WERE WORKING HARD TO DO SOME HONEST BUSINESS, THEN YOU PILFERED OUR PRECIOUS CARGO...!
ガジ GNAW ガジ GNAW
EVIL NEVER TRIUMPHS, IN THE END!!
I BET THEY'RE ALL LONELY INCOMPETENT BUMS. IT'S SAD...
WORKERS AIN'T WINNERS, THAT'S WHAT I SAY!
...
SHOULD A GROWNUP BE COMPLAININ' TO A KID?! THAT'S PATHETIC!
WHAT IS THAT, A PIRATE SHIP OR A CRAB SHIP?!

...WE RETIRED FROM THE BEIN' *HUMAN* BUSINESS, TOO.
IT DON'T END THERE, THOUGH.
TO TOP IT ALL OFF...
*DOOOOSH
?!






*KSSSSH
DEVILS OF THE DEEP...!!
MON-STERS ...!

TH-THEY'RE REALLY HERE!!
UGH, SLIMY.
WHAT ARE THOSE ...?!
NOW WE'RE TALKIN'
THE SEA'S CRAZY !!
HMMM! NO ONE TRULY KNOWS WHAT LIES IN THE OCEAN DEPTHS!
I HAD A FEELING SOMETHIN' WAS COMIN', BUT LOOK AT THOSE THINGS!!
THESE ARE OUR NEW BRETHREN.
YARRR. WE MAY NOT BE HUMAN ANYMORE...
NEITHER OF US CAN EVER SNAG ENOUGH PREY!
...BUT IT TURNS OUT PIRATES AND MONSTERS KIND OF SEE EYE TO EYE!

*SWOOP
*CHOMP
*GULP
*YANK
*GULP

EAT UP, ME HEART IES!

KEEP YOUR MORALE STEADY !!
REMAIN CALM!!

*FX: AUGHHHH

NO! THEY'RE IN A COMPLETE PANIC!
I IMAGINE THEY ARE. YOU COULD SAIL ALL OVER THE WORLD AND NEVER ENCOUNTER SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
MEN OF THE SEA SURE ARE A LETDOWN!
GHASTLY THINGS !!
IT TAKES REAL COMBAT TO UP YOUR SKILLS!
AND WE NEEDED SOME!
ANYWAY, WE'D BETTER REGROUP FAST!
IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME... TO FIGHT OFF THIS MANY!
*FX. GREE
*FX. GREE GREE
*FX. GREE

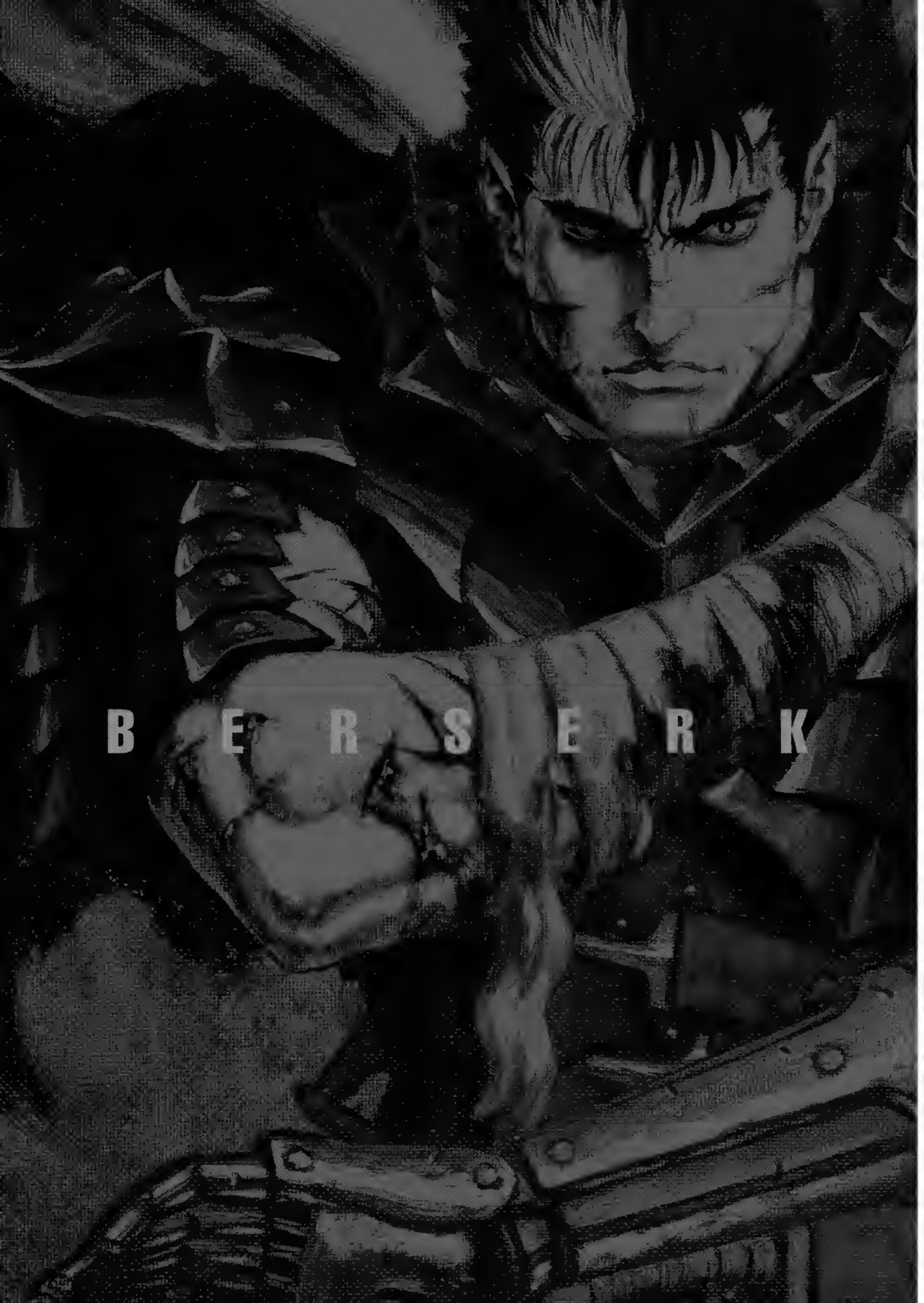
うわあああ
*AUGHHHH
*KRIK
呆
.....

YO HO HO HO
AYE!! EAT UP EVERY LAST ONE OF 'EM!!
WE'RE A GHOST SHIP, AND WE NEED LOTS OF NOURISHMENT! YOU CAN'T GET ANY WORK DONE IF YOU DON'T KEEP UP YOUR STRENGTH!!

*CHONK
?!

*SHLLLAP
*FLAIL
*FLAIL
*FLUTTA
FIRST YOU NEED STRENGTH, TO WORK.
I AGREE.
*WHAM
Y'KNOW WHAT ...?
I'M STARV-ING.
AND YOU NEED FOOD FOR CONVALES-CENCE.

TELL ME...
ARE THESE THINGS EDIBLE?
*GULCH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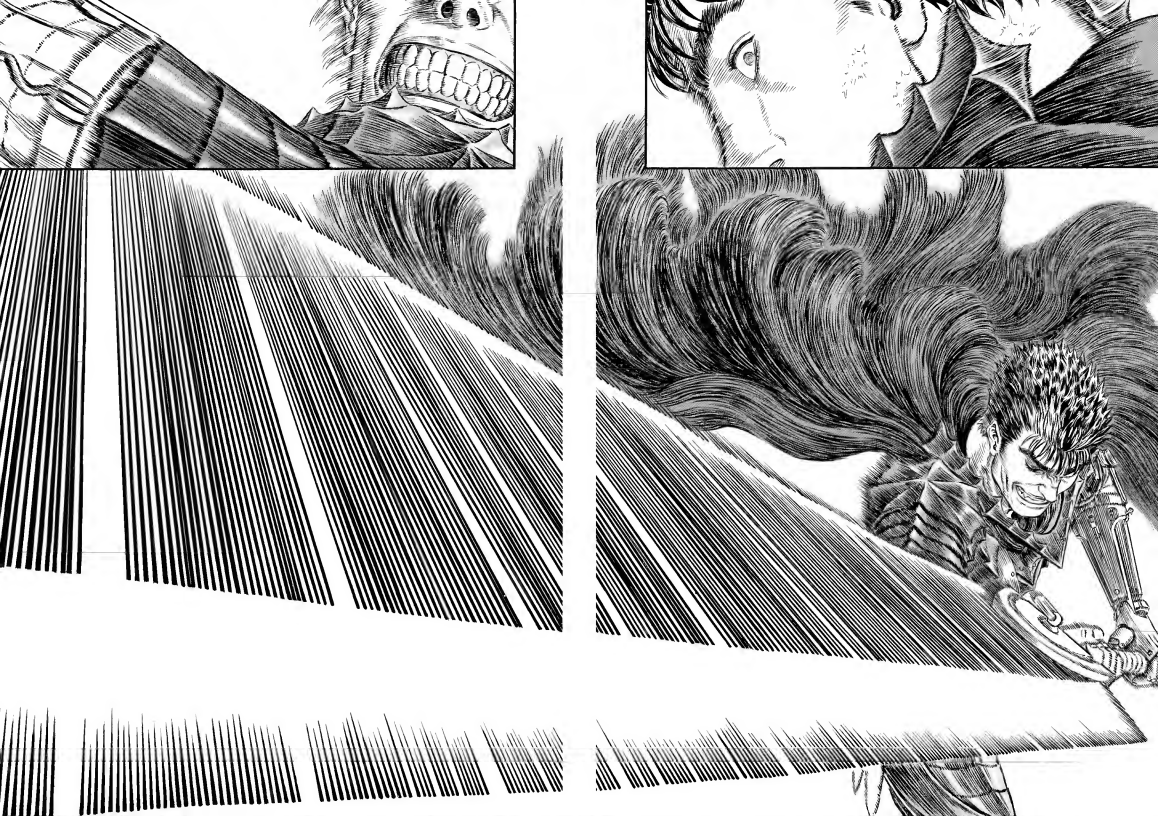
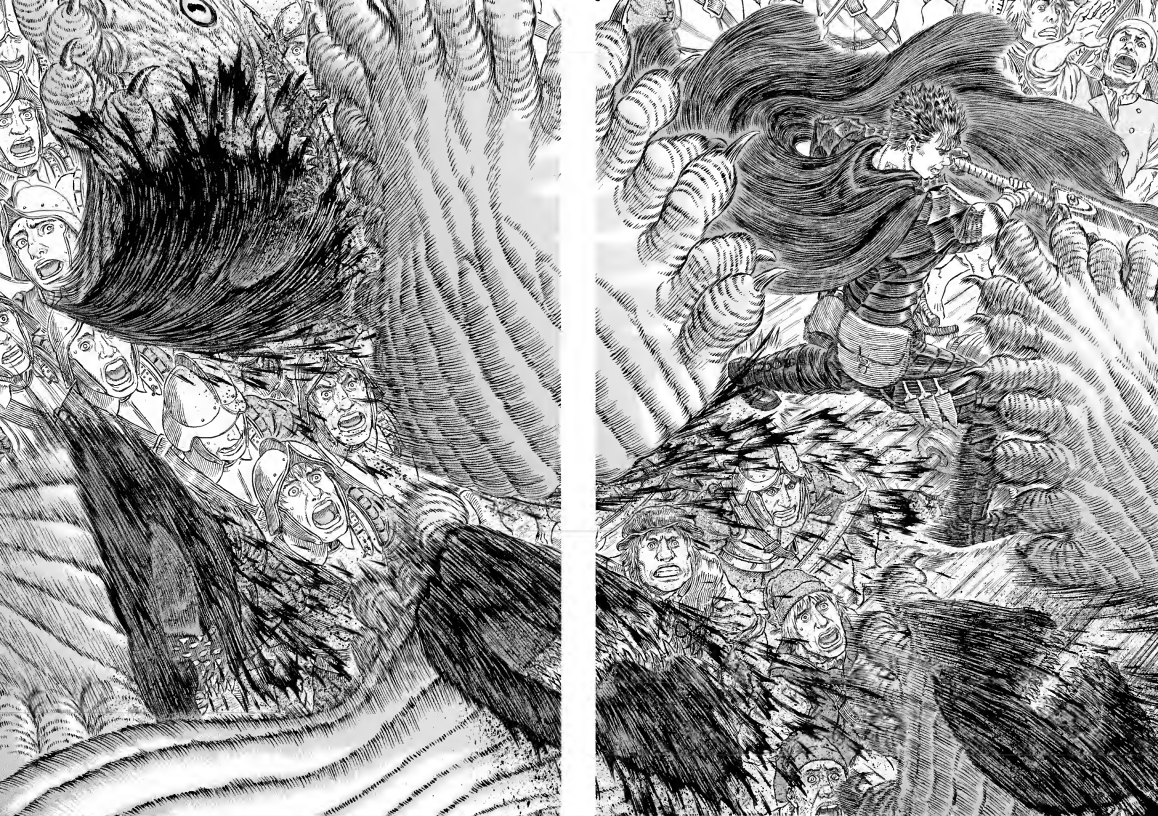
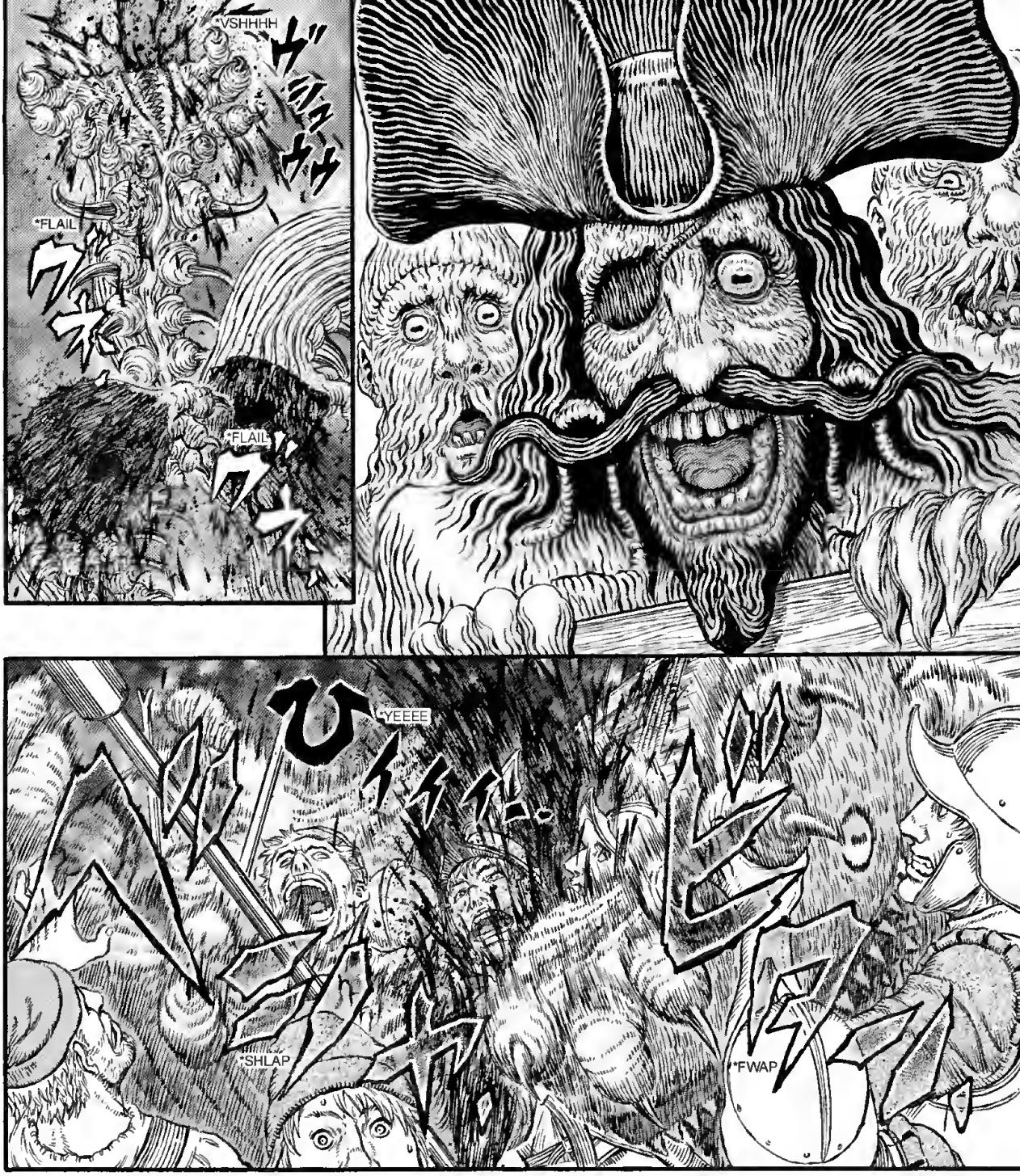
GHOST SHIP, PART 3

YOU'RE LATE TO THE PARTY!
GUTS!
SON OF A BITCH, IT TOOK YOU LONG ENOUGH!
*FX: SSSS
*FX: SSSS
*ZHMMM






*VSHHHH
*FLAIL
*FLAIL

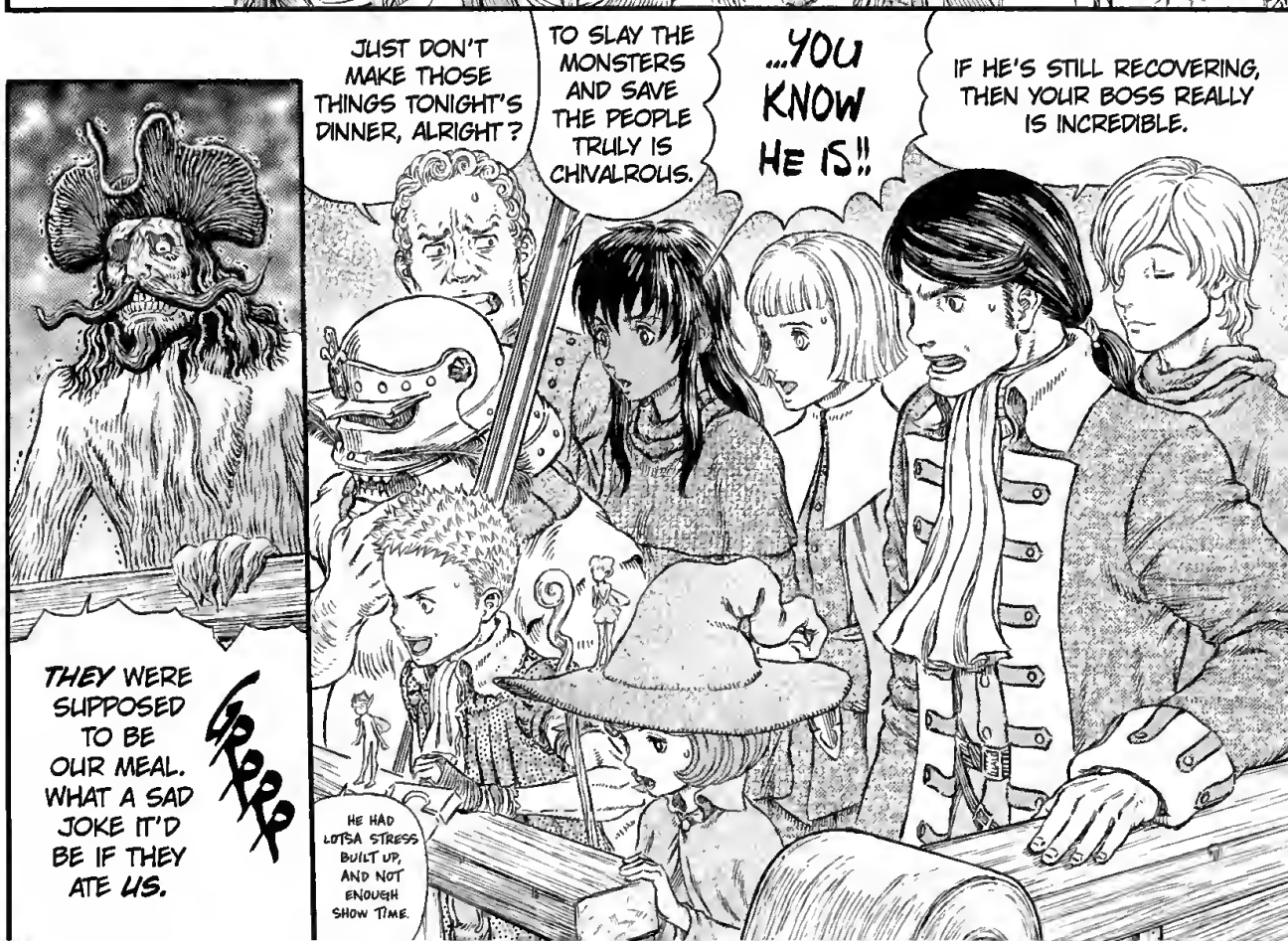
*YEEEE
*SHLAP
*FWAP

*KRAKT
IT'S MORE CRAMPED OUT HERE THAN I THOUGHT.
*FX_KRRNK
SORRY.

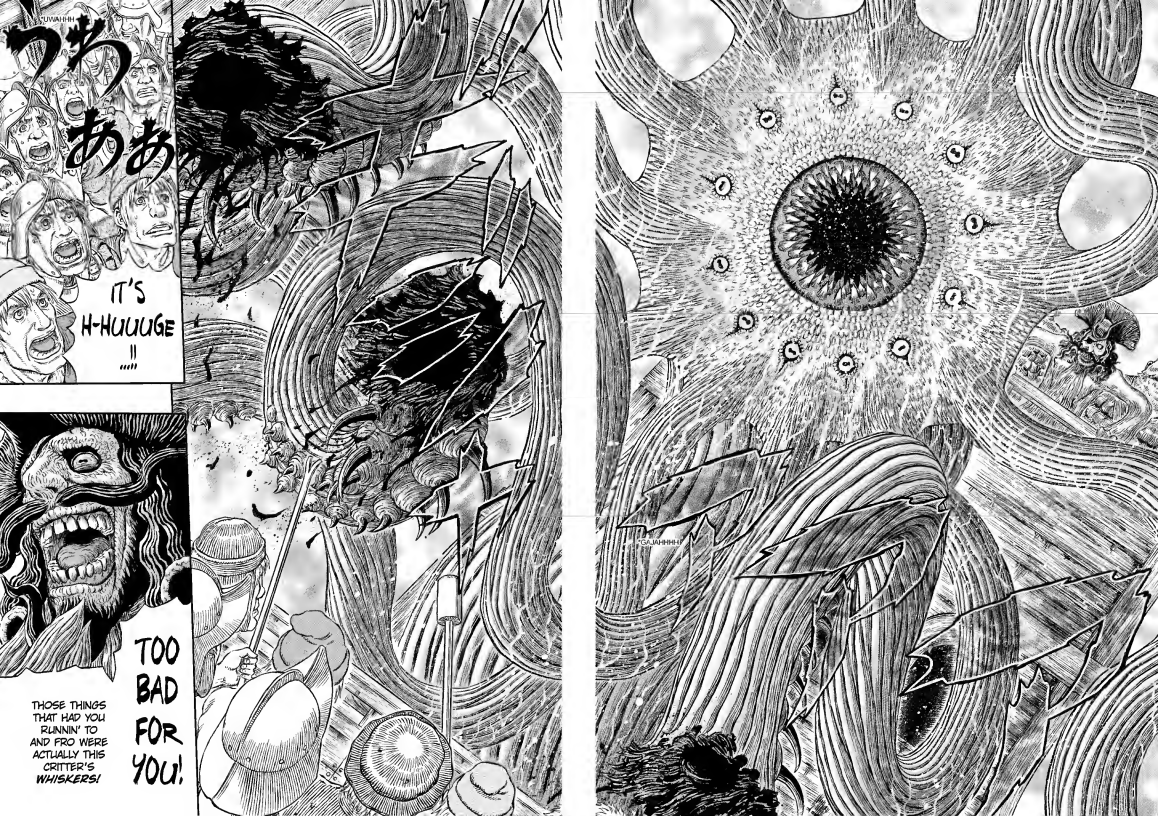
AND I'M ONLY HALF-AWAKE.
*CHAK
I MIGHT END UP BUSTING UP THIS SHIP.
WHOEVER DOESN'T WANNA DIE BETTER HIT THE DECK!
HEY!
HOW'S HIS SWORD SO HUGE?!
SH-SHIVER ME TIM-BERS!
WHO'S THIS DOG?!
HE KILLED SIX MON-STERS WITH ONLY TWO SWINGS ...!!
W-WOW!

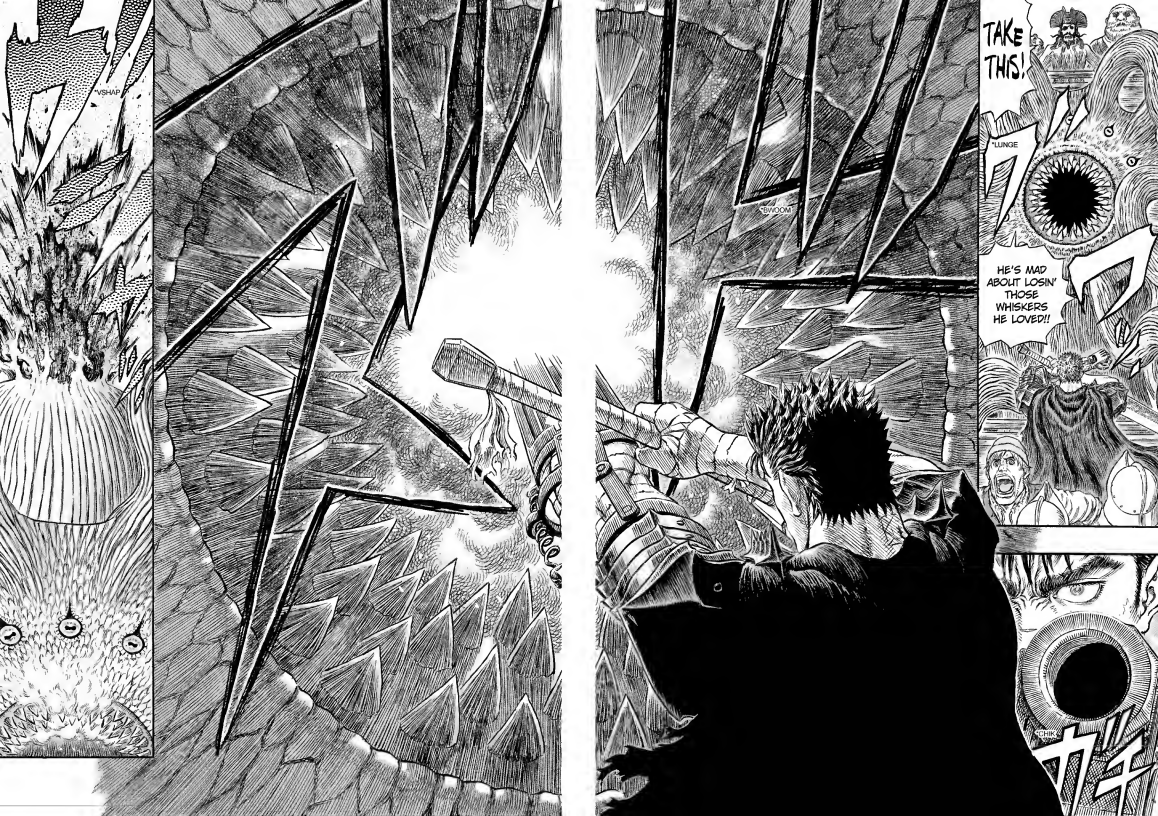
*AUGHHH
うわああ!
*THUD
*THUD
*THUD

IS THAT REALLY THAT SAME GUY WHO WAS NEARLY SCORCHED TO DEATH?!
HE'S LIKE A WATER-SPOUT!
HE HACKED THOSE MONSTERS UP IN NO TIME!
LOOK HOW EASILY HE SWINGS THAT FREAKISHLY HUGE SWORD ...!


JUST DON'T MAKE THOSE THINGS TONIGHT'S DINNER, ALRIGHT?
TO SLAY THE MONSTERS AND SAVE THE PEOPLE TRULY IS CHIVALROUS.
...YOU KNOW HE IS!!
IF HE'S STILL RECOVERING, THEN YOUR BOSS REALLY IS INCREDIBLE.
THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE OUR MEAL. WHAT A SAD JOKE IT'D BE IF THEY ATE US.
GRRR
HE HAD LOTSA STRESS BUILT UP, AND NOT ENOUGH SHOW TIME.

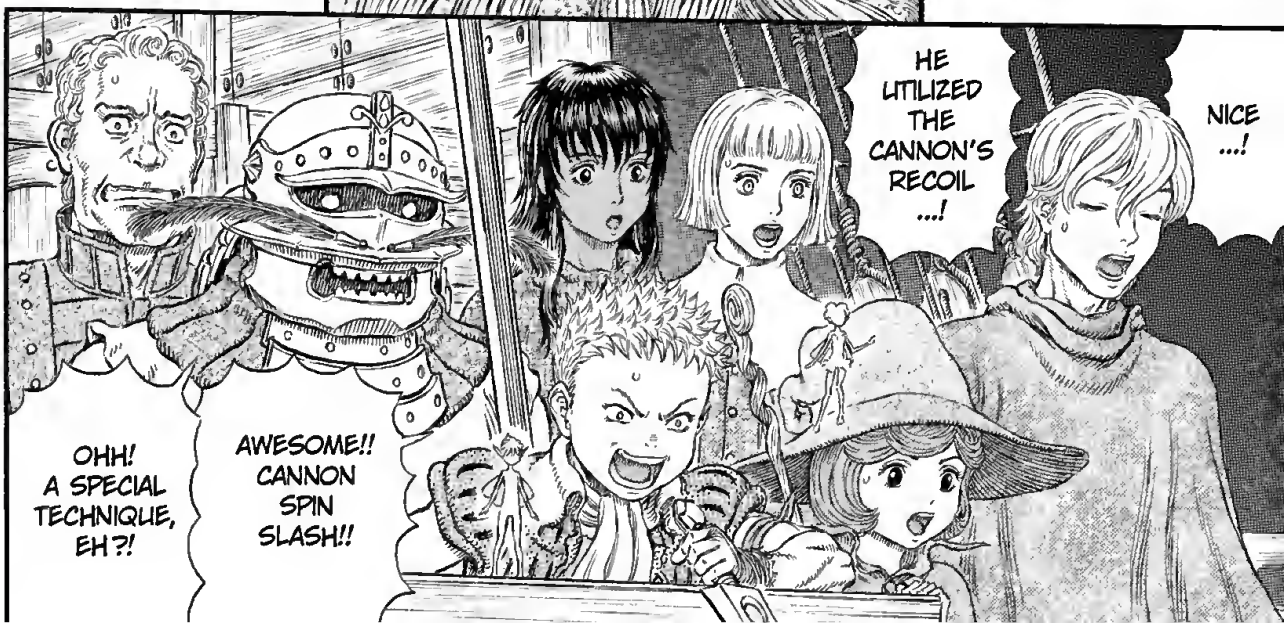
MEALTIME HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN! THIS HAS JUST BEEN THE HORS D'OEUVRES!
BUT NO!
...IS STAR-TIN' NOW !!
THE MAIN DISH...
DOOOSH


*UWAHHH
うわああ
IT'S H-HUUUGE !! ....!!
*GAJAHHHH
TOO BAD FOR YOU!
THOSE THINGS THAT HAD YOU RUNNIN' TO AND FRO WERE ACTUALLY THIS CRITTER'S *WHISKERS!*


VSHAP
SWOOSH
TAKE THIS!
*LUNGE
HE'S MAD ABOUT LOSIN' THOSE WHISKERS HE LOVED!!
*CHIK
カチ

*SHAAA!
*SPIN

*BLOOOSH
*FX RAHHHH
*FX. GSSHHHH


NICE ...!
HE UTILIZED THE CANNON'S RECOIL ...!
AWESOME!! CANNON SPIN SLASH!!
OHH! A SPECIAL TECHNIQUE, EH?!

*CHING
LOOKS LIKE NOTHING'S GOTTEN RUSTY FROM THE SEA BREEZE.

N-NOT BAD AT ALL!

I THINK WE'VE GOTTEN USED TO BEING BEATEN.

BUT NO...! BUT NOOO!!

WE STILL HAVE A...

TOO LATE.

WHAT ?!

THESE GUYS ARE COMBAT PROS, TOO.

*GSHANNNG

THE CANNONS ON THE UPPER GUN DECK CAN'T ACHIEVE THE PROPER ANGLE OF FIRE!!
ALL GUNS ON THE MID AND LOWER DECKS, AIM DIRECTLY AHEAD!!
WE HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO REGROUP, THANKS TO YOU.

*BDASSSSH
FIRE!!

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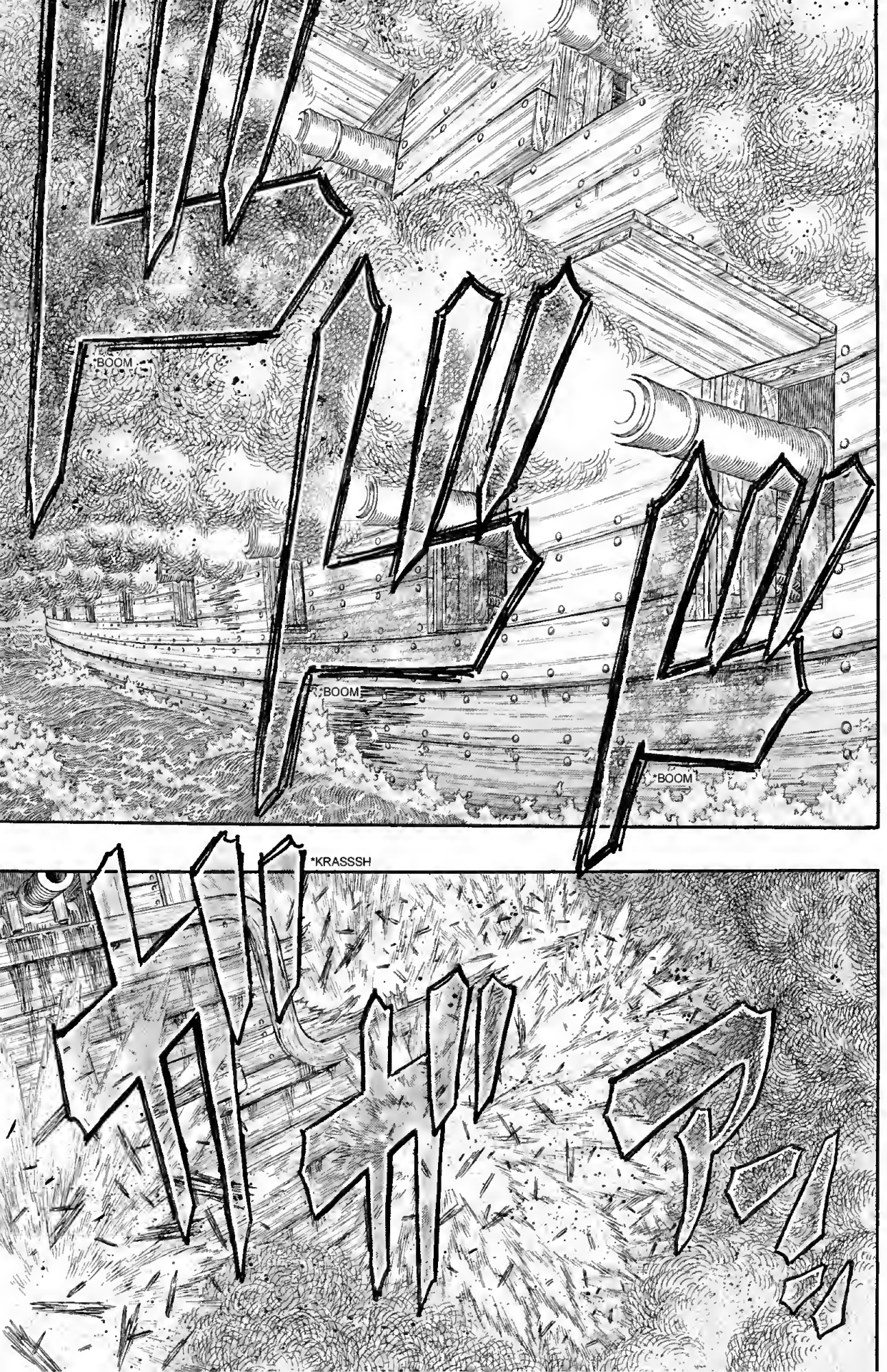
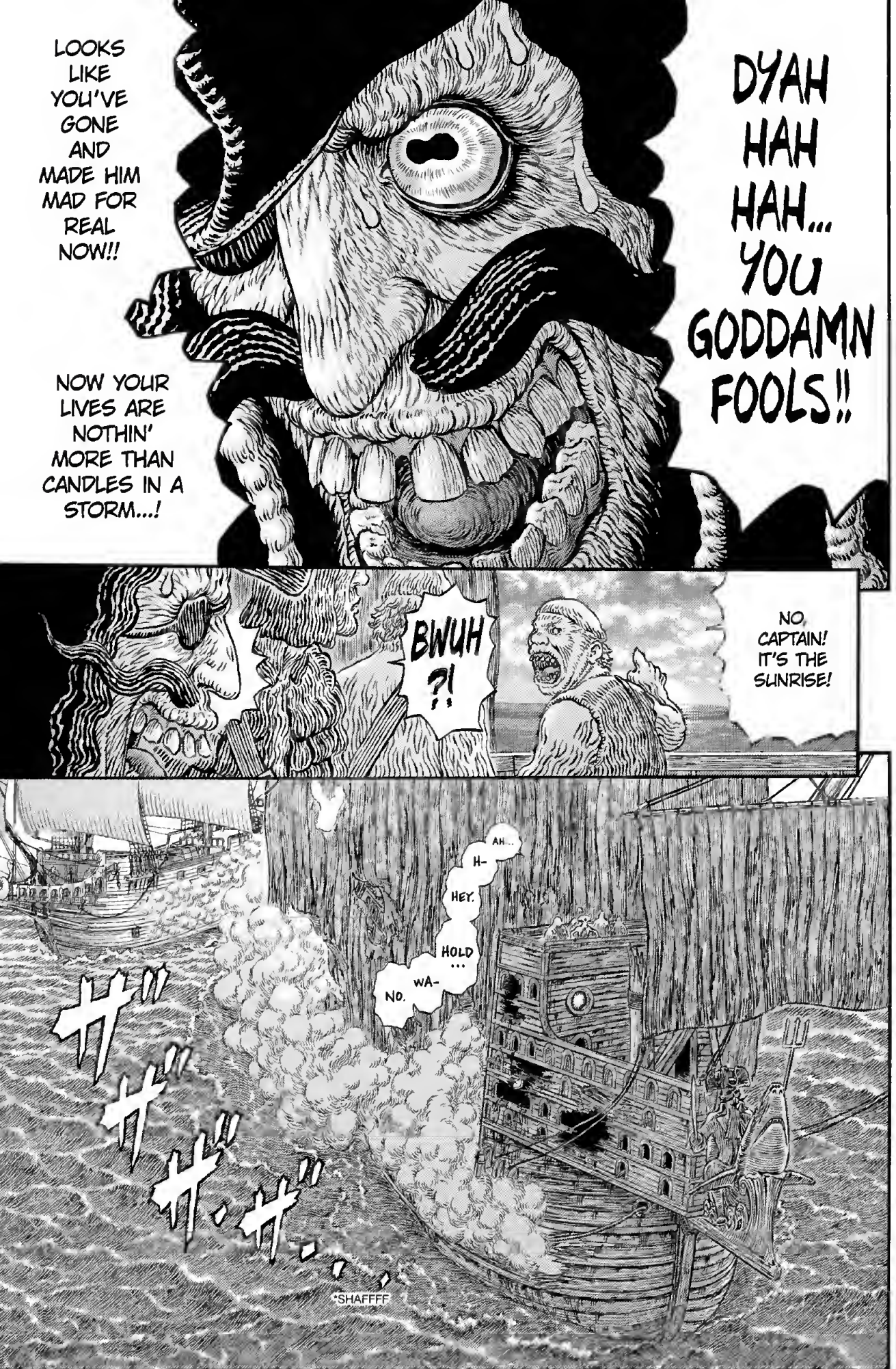
SOLITARY ISLAND


*BOOM
*BOOM
*BOOM
*KRASSSH

WOOO!
SEA COMBAT SURE IS THE BOMB!!
BWOW!
QUIT IT!
FIRST I'M SEASICK, NOW I'M DEAF?!
YARGH
DON'T BUST UP MY ALREADY BUSTED SHIP...!!
OOOOSH
LASHIN' THE DEAD, THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE DOIN'! I'LL HAUNT YOU!!
ISN'T THAT WHAT YOU'RE HERE FOR IN THE FIRST PLACE?
!
SHIFT


DYAH HAH HAH... YOU GODDAMN FOOLS!!
LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GONE AND MADE HIM MAD FOR REAL NOW!!
NOW YOUR LIVES ARE NOTHIN' MORE THAN CANDLES IN A STORM...!
NO, CAPTAIN! IT'S THE SUNRISE!
BWUH ?!
AH...
H-
HEY.
HOLD ...
WA-
NO.
ザザザザ
*SHAFFFF

SEE YOU--AH!
GLUB

*FX. PLASSSH

WELL THEN, GENTLEMEN. WE'LL SETTLE THIS NEXT TIME!
YO HO HO...
NOT ONLY IS HE PERSISTENT AS A SHARK, HE'S ABOUT AS SMART AS ONE.

YOU KNOW, I'D JUST AS SOON WE *DID* SETTLE IT.
*UOHHHHH

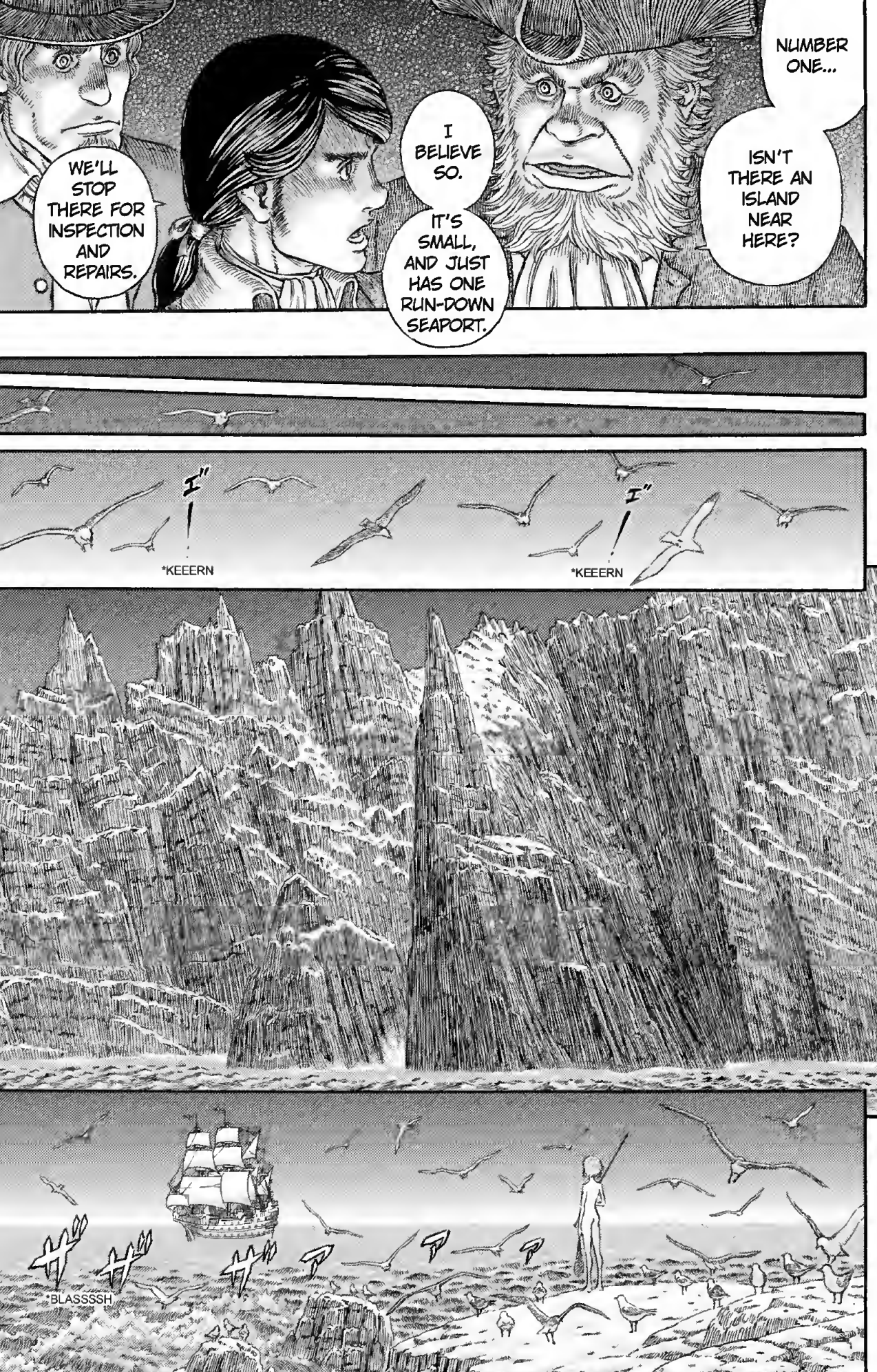
YOU'RE AN EXCEPTION !!
I'D HEARD SOLDIERS ON LAND WERE ALL COWARDS WHO RAN AT THE FIRST SIGN OF DANGER,
I NEVER REALIZED YOU WERE SUCH AN INSANELY GOOD SWORDSMAN!
YOU'RE INCREDIBLE!!

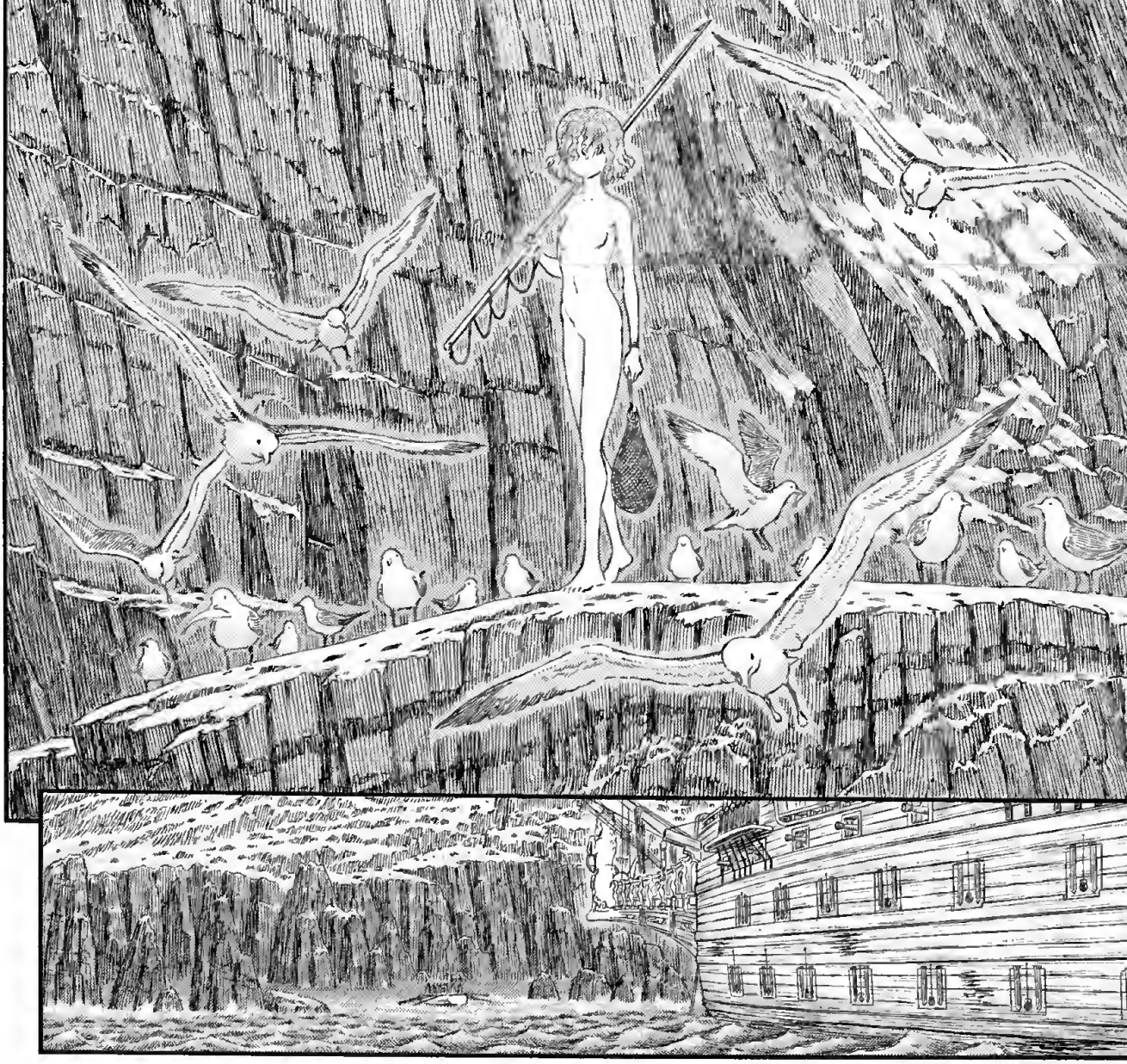
OHO.
WELL, MORE OR LESS. DESPITE OUR INTENTIONS.
WHAT A MONKEY. A SEA MONKEY.

YOU KNOW IT!
だっ!!
*POUNCE!
I MEAN, WE'VE BEEN WANDERIN' AROUND FIGHTIN' NOTHIN' BUT MONSTERS LIKE THOSE! WE'RE MONSTER-HUNTIN' PROS! PROS!!

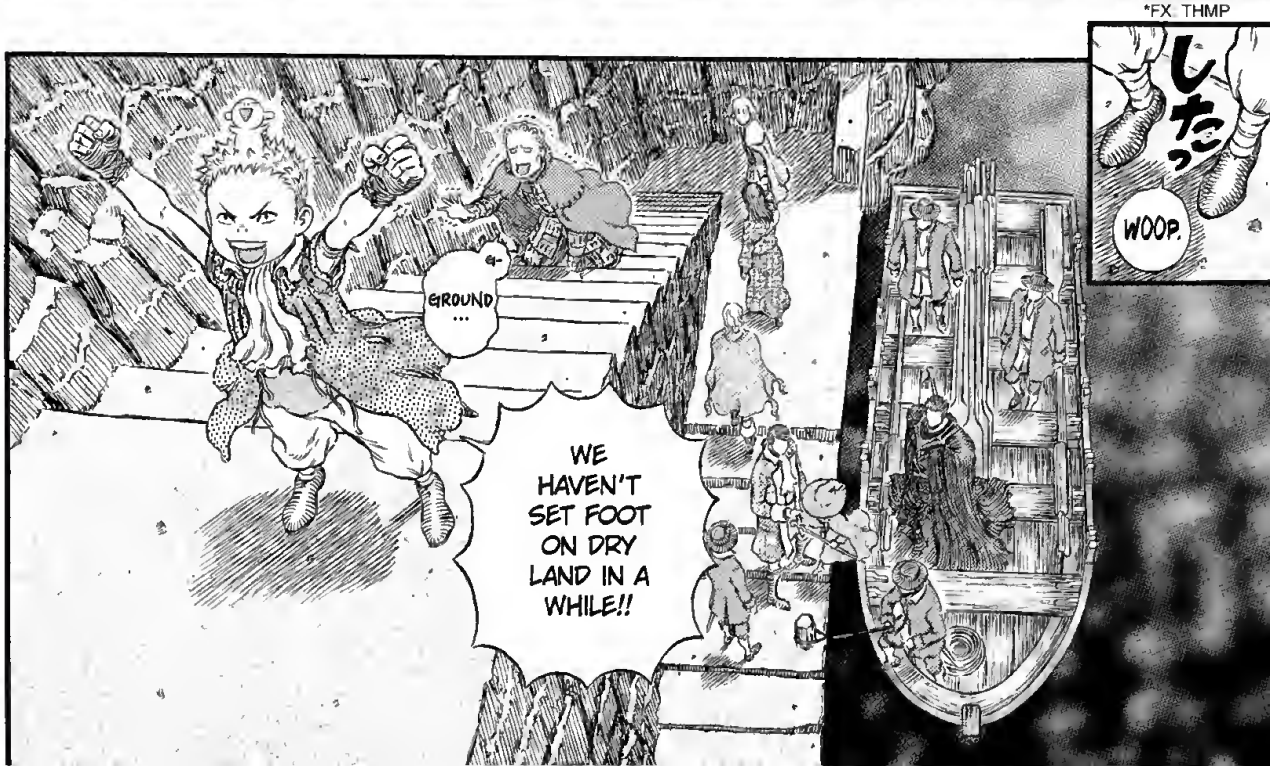
ひゅん
*HYNN
JUST THINK OF THIS AS PAYING FOR OUR RIDE.
ひゅん
*HYNN
LOOKS LIKE I'M IN YOUR DEBT AGAIN.

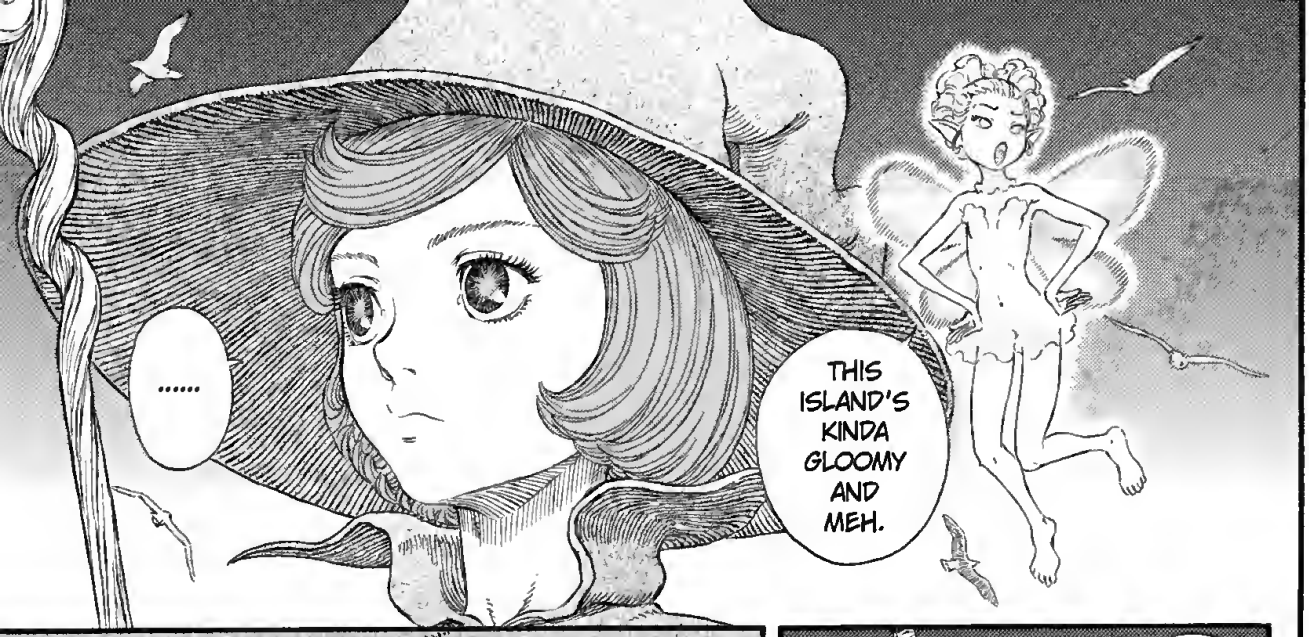
THERE'S BEEN SOMETHING ODD ABOUT THE SEA EVER SINCE THAT STRANGE WIND BLEW THROUGH.
.....
BUT WHY DID THEY TURN INTO A GHOST SHIP? I'M PRETTY SURE LAST TIME, THEY WERE REGULAR PIRATES.
THAT WAS JUST A FEW DAYS AGO...
AND THEY EVEN HAD THOSE MONSTERS WITH THEM.
CAPTAIN, I HAVE A REPORT!
WHAT IS IT?
GO FETCH SOME MORE WOOD SCRAPS!
AND SUPPORT BEAMS!
THERE APPEAR TO BE MULTIPLE LEAKS. TEMPORARY REPAIRS MAY NOT HOLD THROUGH ANOTHER BATTLE...
THAT SEA-SLUG BASTARD SURE DID A NUMBER ON US.


NUMBER ONE...
ISN'T THERE AN ISLAND NEAR HERE?
I BELIEVE SO.
IT'S SMALL, AND JUST HAS ONE RUN-DOWN SEAPORT.
WE'LL STOP THERE FOR INSPECTION AND REPAIRS.
I"
*KEEERN
I"
*KEEERN
*BLASSSSH



*FX. THMP

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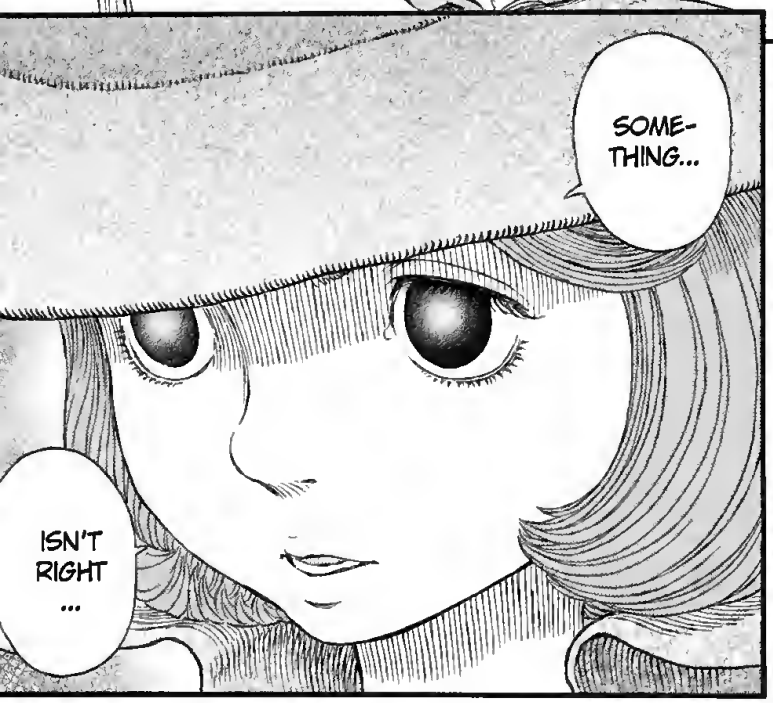
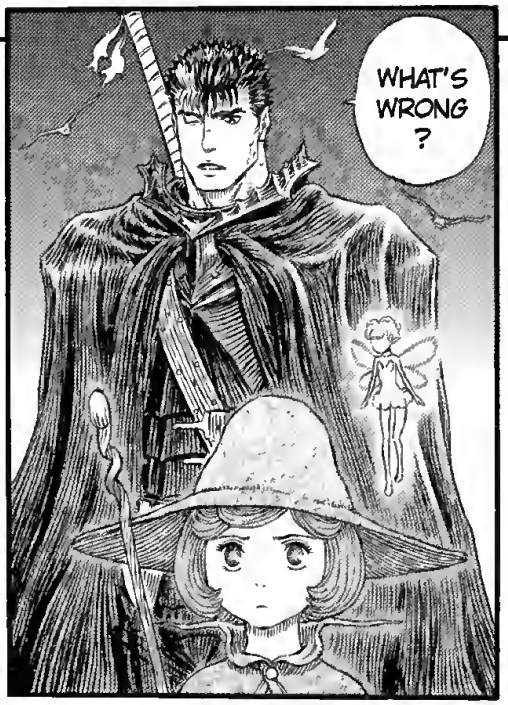
THIS ISLAND'S KINDA GLOOMY AND MEH.


SOME-THING...
ISN'T RIGHT ...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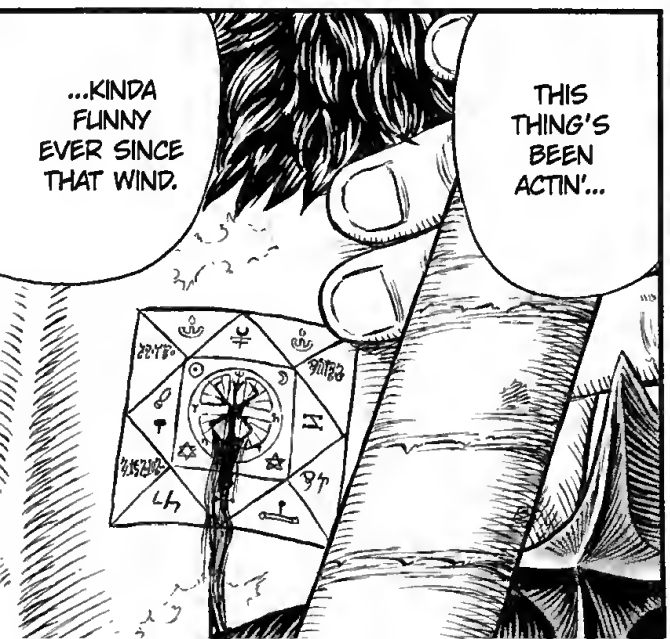
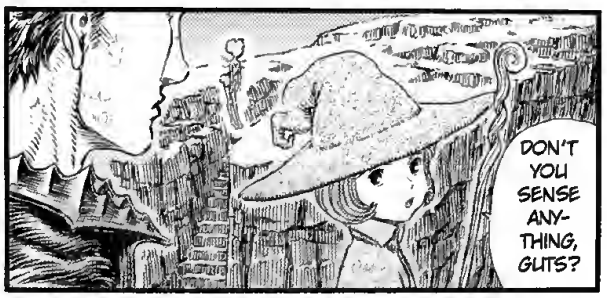

...KINDA FUNNY EVER SINCE THAT WIND.
THIS THING'S BEEN ACTIN'...


DON'T YOU SENSE ANY-THING, GUTS?

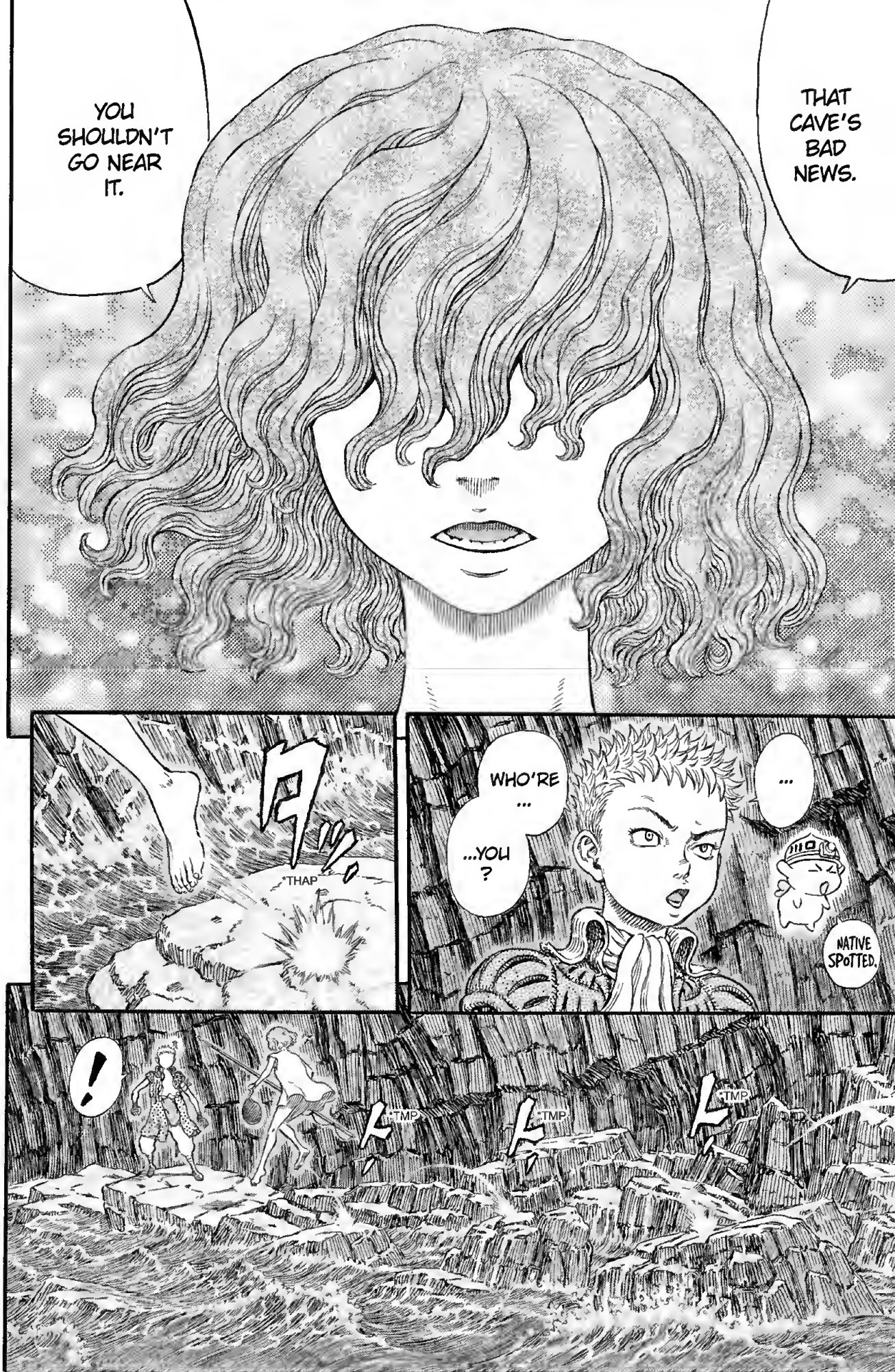
... HMM.
WELL, ABOUT THAT.

UM... IS THERE SOMETHING ON THIS ISLAND ?
...I THOUGHT SO.
WELL, I THINK I'LL KNOW IF ANYTHING OBVIOUS GETS CLOSE TO US.
IT'S LIKE A WOUND THAT WON'T CLOSE...
LIKE IT'S GOTTEN TOO SENSITIVE, SO NOW IT JUST FEELS NUMB INSTEAD.
I DO NOT KNOW ANYTHING FOR CERTAIN...
...BUT THE ENTIRE ISLAND SEEMS TO BE ENSHROUDED BY AN OMINOUS OD.
IT'S PROBABLY BEST NOT TO GO INLAND...
I'M SORRY, BUT REPAIRING THE SHIP WILL TAKE SOME TIME. WE'LL DEPART TOMORROW MORNING.
.....
HEY! LET'S HURRY TO THE INN FOR SOME FOOD.
IT CAN'T BE HELPED. LET'S JUST DO OUR BEST NOT TO GET SEPARATED.

うらあああ
*OO-RAH
でででで
*DMP
*DMP
*DMP
OH.
LOOKS LIKE I WAS A BEAT TOO LATE.
THOSE SCATTER-BRAINED BUFFOONS!
HEY, YOU TWO!
BOYS, ISLANDS, AND EXPLORATION ARE LIKE A TRINITY! NOBODY CAN STOP IT!
WHAT DOES THAT EVEN MEAN?!
DON'T WORRY!
I'LL USE THOUGHT TRANS-FERENCE IF ANYTHING HAPPENS!
FIFTEEN MEN ON A DEAD MAN'S CHEST~ ♪
... WHAT A PAIN.
*BUHAHH BUHAHH
MADE IT...
*KEEERN
*KEEERN
...OH.
HUH ?

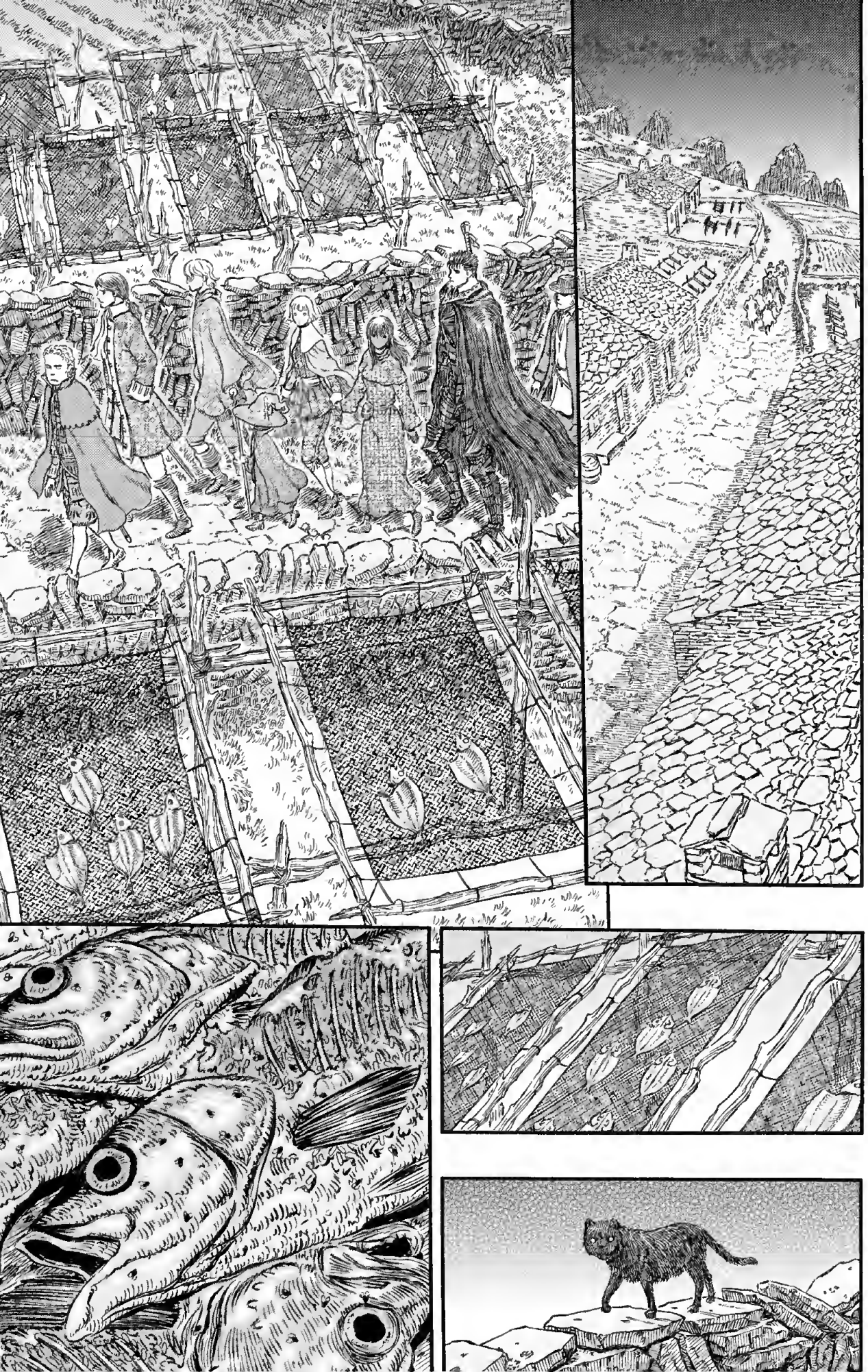
WHAT GIVES ?
I CAN SEE THE WHOLE DAMN *THING* FROM HERE.
WHAT A DINKY LITTLE ISLAND.
YOU COULD GET ALL THE WAY AROUND BEFORE YOU KNEW IT.
LOOK ...
TEAM MEMBER DROPEY.
*MHM
...
*ZHAAA

WE-HAVE-ARRIVED !!
WEDNESDAY SPECIAL
MYSTERIOUS GIGANTIC CAVE DISCOVERED ON A SOLITARY ISLAND IN THE REMOTE SEAS!
I WOULDN'T DO THAT!
LOOK FOR HANDY PIECES OF WOOD! DRY ONES!
I'VE GOT SOME KELP
NOW TO MAKE A TORCH!
OKAY!
*BLOOOSHA
アァ…


YOU SHOULDN'T GO NEAR IT.
THAT CAVE'S BAD NEWS.
THAP
WHO'RE ...
...YOU ?
...
NATIVE SPOTTED.
!
TMP
TMP
TMP

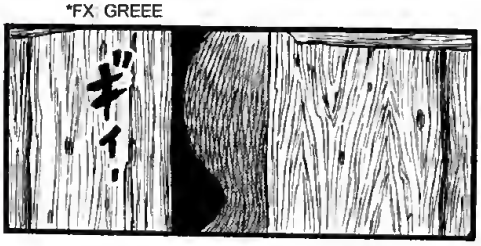
HEY, IS THAT AN ELF?
HI.
AWESOME!
*TNK
Y-YOU CAN SEE HIM?
THAT MIGHT NOT BE TOO ODD, ON A REMOTE ISLAND LIKE THIS.
HER FACE AIN'T DOWN THERE.
I'VE NEVER SEEN ONE HERE ON THE ISLAND.
WOW, HE'S SO CUTE. ♡
THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY SAYS.
MORE LIKE, HE'S A SMARTASS.
YOU MUST...
...HAVE SAILED HERE...
...ON THAT SHIP.

WHY, ARE THERE MONSTERS OR SOMETHIN'?
THERE'S AN OLD LEGEND ABOUT IT.
THEN NO WONDER YOU DON'T KNOW.
BUT STILL, KEEP OUT.
THE PEOPLE OF THIS ISLAND CONSIDER IT TABOO TO GO IN THERE.
IT'S WHERE ...
...THE SEA GOD LIVES.



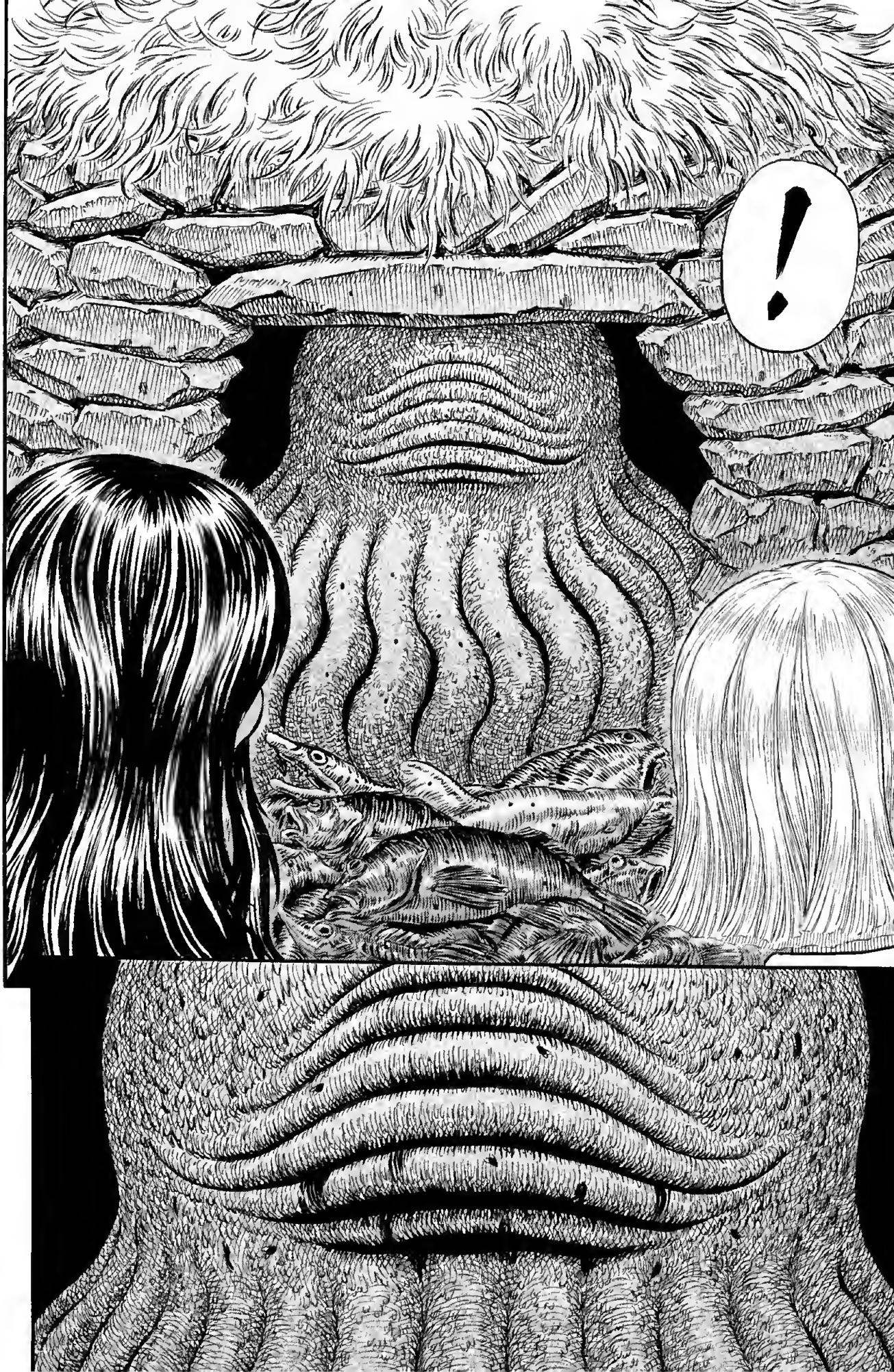
*FX· MEOW

*FX· GREEE



*FX· BTAM

TALK ABOUT SHY.
OR CREEPY ALWAYS IS IN THE STICKS
*BTAM
バタン!
*FX CLATA CLATA
カラ
DEAR ME.
WELL?
...
I STILL CANNOT SAY WITH ANY CERTAINTY.
IT IS LIKE SOME FAINT, VAGUE OD...
...IS COVERING THE ENTIRE VILLAGE...
HEY!
CASCA!
AU



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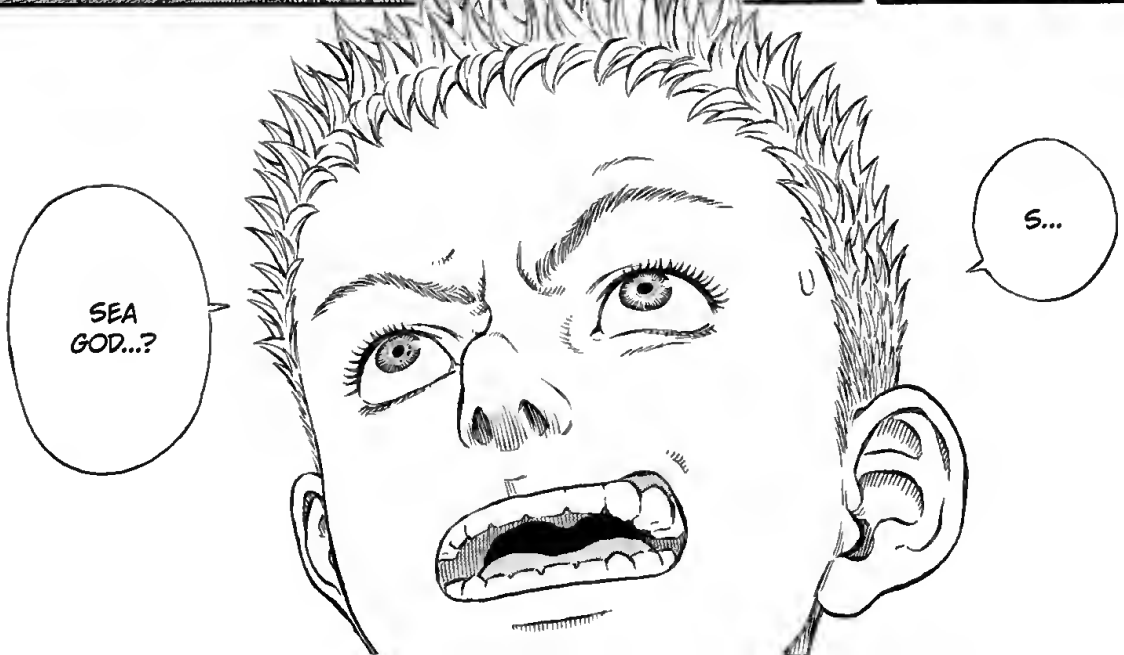
GIRL OF THE ROARING TORRENT

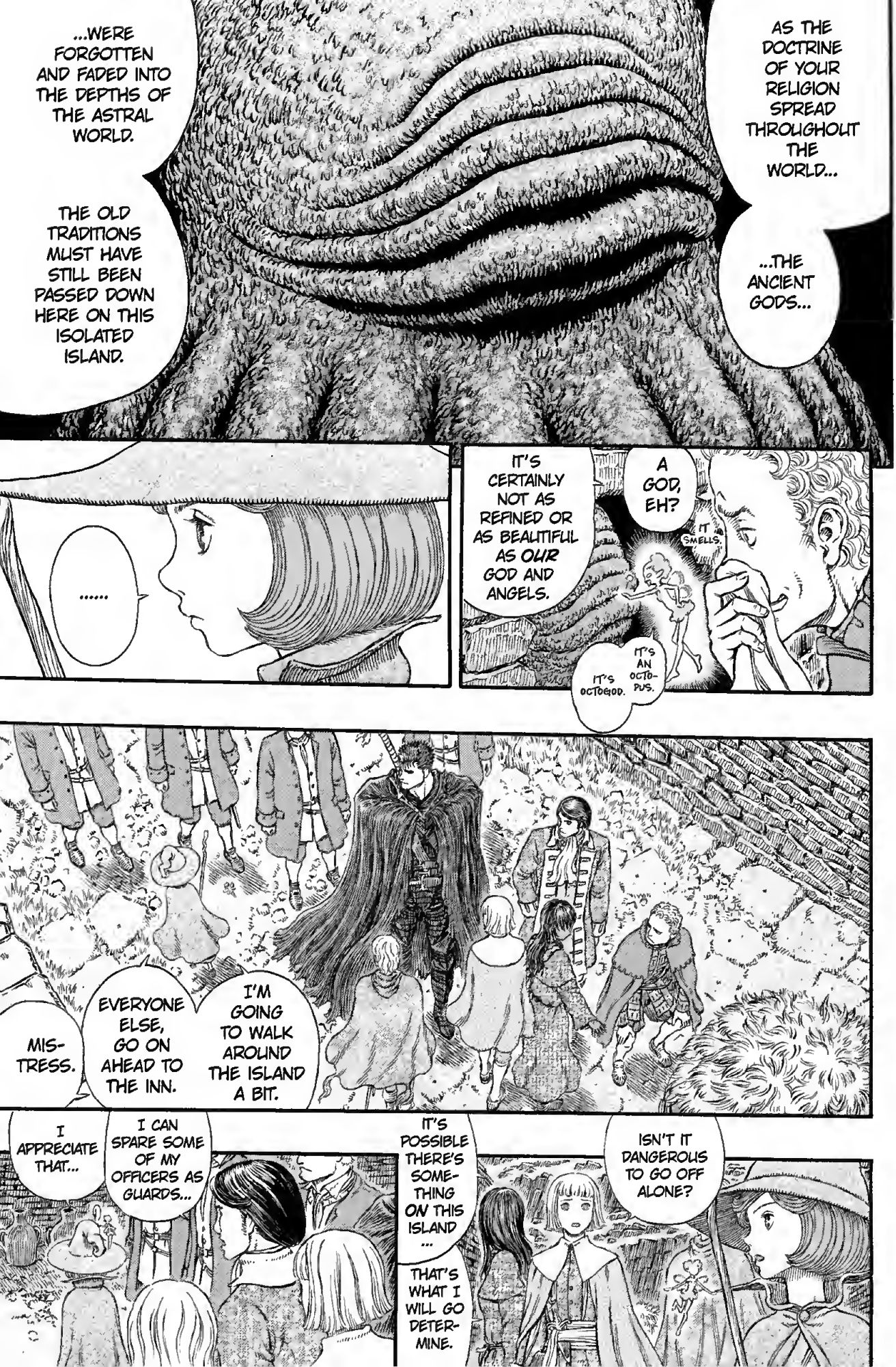
*SHAAAA
*DOOOOSH


SEA GOD...?
S...

...THAT SINKS SHIPS AND EATS PEOPLE.
THAT'S WHAT IT'S CALLED, BUT IT'S A SINISTER, DREADFUL GOD...
ROLL CAMERA!
WEDESNY SPECIAL
... LEGEND'S REAL OR NOT !!
I GOTTA GO SEE IF THAT...
SUD-DENLY I REALLY WANNA GO IN THERE !!
UH, WAIT.
*SPIN
YOU'LL GET CURSED.
*SPLASH
PWAH...!
FLOUNDER
HEHEH ...
HEH...
THAT JUST MAKES IT ALL THE MORE INTEREST-IN'.
*OOOOSH
DOOOOSH
HIROSHI FUJIOKA THIS TIME
...IF I'M AFRAID OF CURSES ?!
HOW CAN I EXPLORE ...

THERE'S SOMETHIN' IN THERE.
*SWING
*SWING
PURIFY!
EXORCISE!
MY HEAD'S BLEEDIN'.
"BAD NEWS" IS RIGHT.
UH, WATCH YOUR FOOTING.
ごち
*FX. WHOCK
ずる
*FX. SLIP
スポ
*FX. FALL
...MAN.
OH WELL, WHAT-EVER.
AH-CHOO!
*BLEED
MY HOUSE IS CLOSE BY.
I'LL PATCH YOU UP.
COME ON.
*SSSS

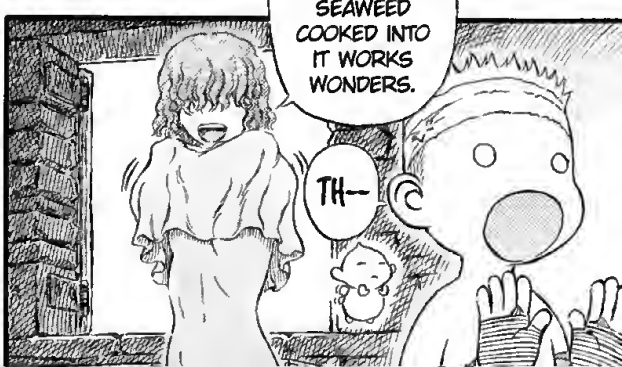
THIS IS RATHER EERIE.
THOUGH A BIT INTRIGUING, TOO.
WHAT AN ODD STATUE.
IT IS A STATUE OF AN ANCIENT GOD.
THIS IS VERY OLD...
ANCIENT GOD?
STOP THAT!


...WERE FORGOTTEN AND FADED INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE ASTRAL WORLD.
THE OLD TRADITIONS MUST HAVE STILL BEEN PASSED DOWN HERE ON THIS ISOLATED ISLAND.
AS THE DOCTRINE OF YOUR RELIGION SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD...
...THE ANCIENT GODS...
.....
IT'S CERTAINLY NOT AS REFINED OR AS BEAUTIFUL AS OUR GOD AND ANGELS.
A GOD, EH?
IT SMELLS.
IT'S OCTOGOD.
IT'S AN OCTOPUS.
MISTRESS.
EVERYONE ELSE, GO ON AHEAD TO THE INN.
I'M GOING TO WALK AROUND THE ISLAND A BIT.
I APPRECIATE THAT...
I CAN SPARE SOME OF MY OFFICERS AS GUARDS...
IT'S POSSIBLE THERE'S SOMETHING ON THIS ISLAND ...
THAT'S WHAT I WILL GO DETERMINE.
ISN'T IT DANGEROUS TO GO OFF ALONE?

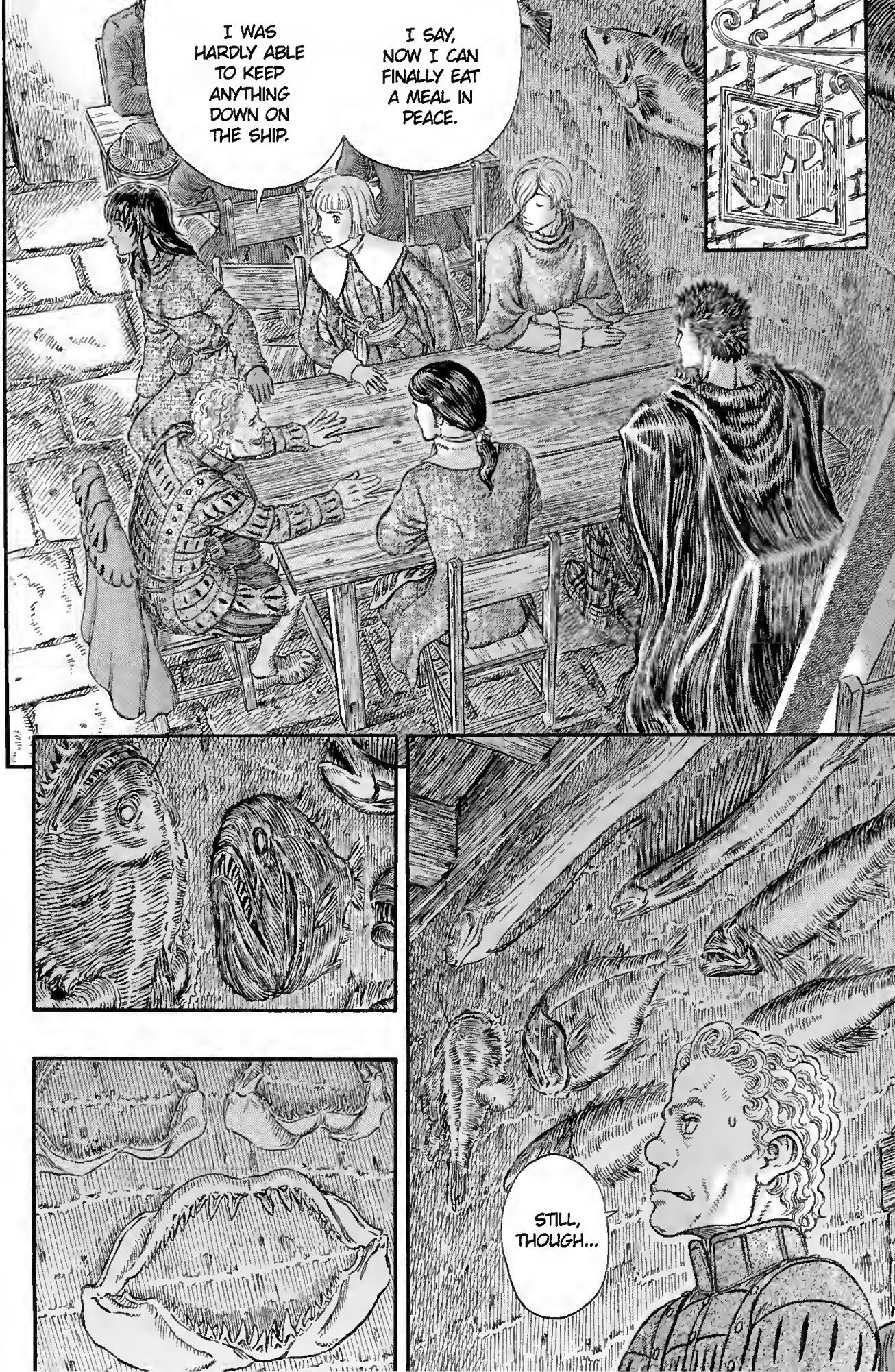
...THAN I AM IN A CITY.
I AM FAR SAFER HERE...
...BUT THERE IS NO NEED FOR CONCERN.
WHAT KIND OF SOMETHING? MORE MONSTERS?!
WE'LL BE IN BIGGER TROUBLE THAN THEM IF SOMETHING HAPPENS AND WE LACK THEIR HELP.
IS IT OKAY THAT BOTH OF THE CHILDREN ARE WANDERING AROUND?

THA'S WARM.
THANKS, I MEAN IT.
ずずー!
*FX: SNFFFFF
THIS'S SOME WEIRD FIRE-WOOD.
WHAT IS IT?
IT'S PEAT.
IT'S GRASS BURIED IN MUD THAT THE COLD KEEPS FROM ROTTING COM-PLETELY.
NO TREES BIG ENOUGH TO YIELD FIREWOOD GROW ON THIS ISLAND.
...
*OOZE
?!
THAT'S KINDA SURREAL.
NOW LET ME SEE YOUR INJURY.
IT'S OKAY, IT'S NO BIG DEAL.
YOU'LL GET BARNACLES UP INSIDE YA IF IT'S NOT TREATED RIGHT...
*SHIVER

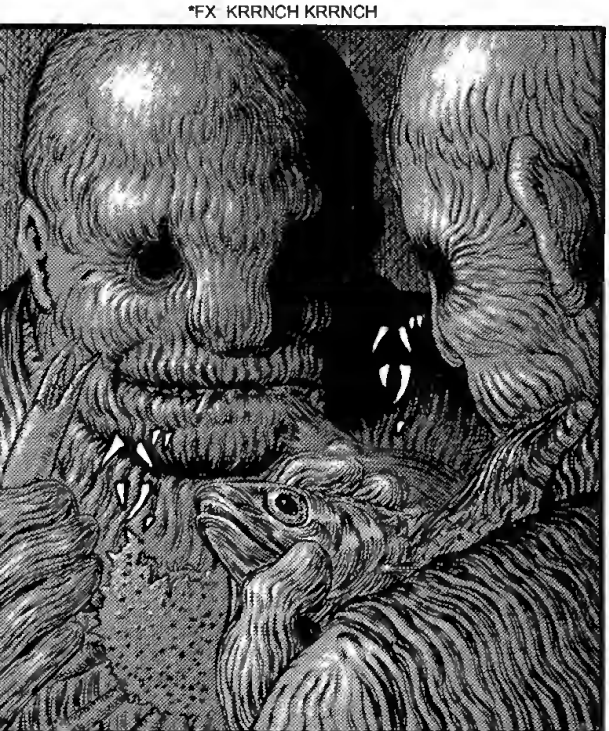
*FX. SPURT SPURT



I'M ISMA.
NICE TO MEET YOU.
THEN TELL ME ALL ABOUT YOUR TRAVELS!
ABOUT THE OUTSIDE WORLD!
SO DO YOU GUYS HAVE TO HEAD BACK SOON?
NAH, WE LEAVE TOMOR-ROW...
THEN, HEY! HAVE DINNER WITH ME!
THEN ...!
SURE, I GUESS ...
YEAH!!
OKAY! GO AHEAD AND START...!
...I MEAN, NO.
WAIT! I'LL GET DINNER READY...
...OH RIGHT, THERE'S MY COOK-POT!
SHE SURE IS EXCIT-ABLE.
MAYBE EVEN ON PAR WITH YOU.


I WAS HARDLY ABLE TO KEEP ANYTHING DOWN ON THE SHIP.
I SAY, NOW I CAN FINALLY EAT A MEAL IN PEACE.
STILL, THOUGH...

I REALIZE THIS IS THE ONLY INN OR TAVERN IN THE VILLAGE, BUT IT'S JUST SO EERIE AND TASTELESS...
AND IT SMELLS LIKE FISH.
I LIKE IT. IT'S FASCINATING, LIKE BEING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN.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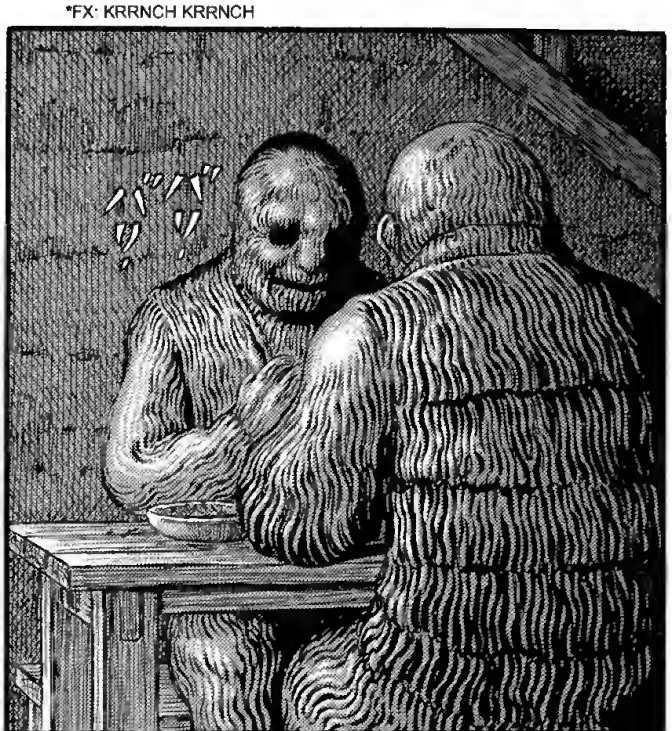
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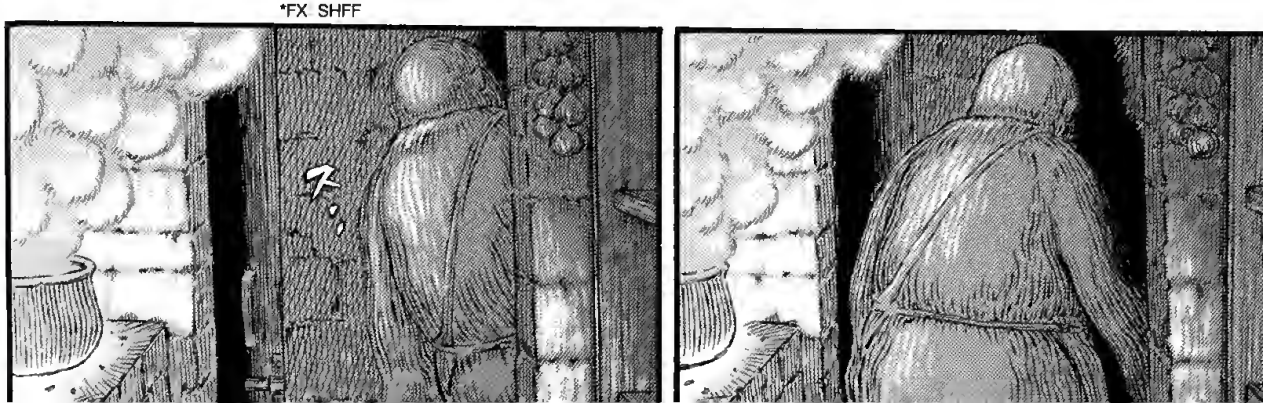
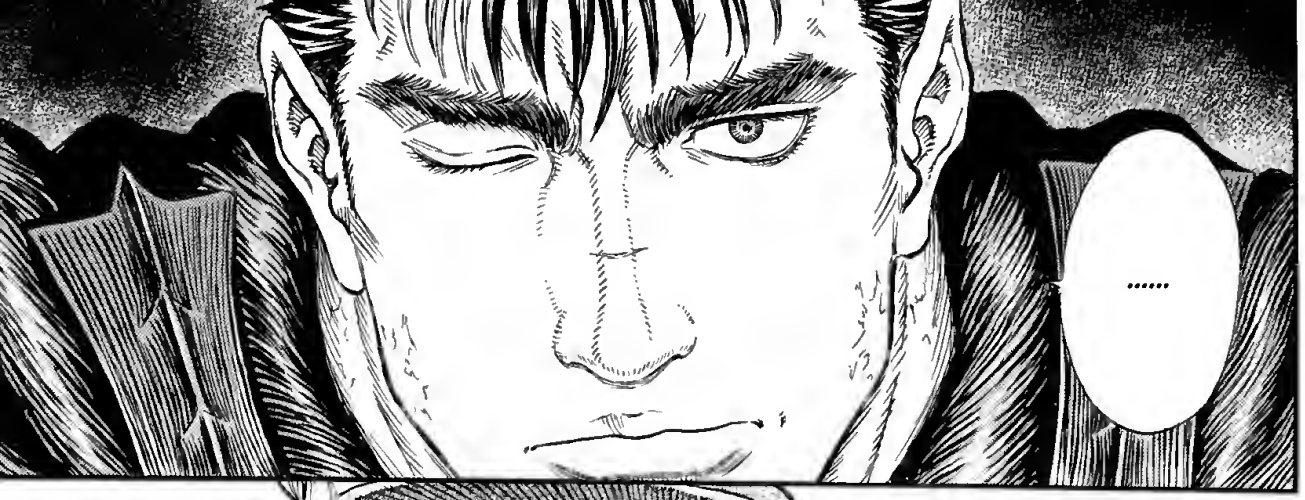
SORRY, SIRS. BUT PLEASE SERVE YOURSELVES. I NEED TO GET SOME INGREDIENTS FROM THE BACK ROOM.
IT'S OKAY, I'LL GET IT.
HELL! WE WERE GOING TO STAY THE NIGHT HERE, TOO! TALK ABOUT POOR SERVICE.

*FX: SHFF

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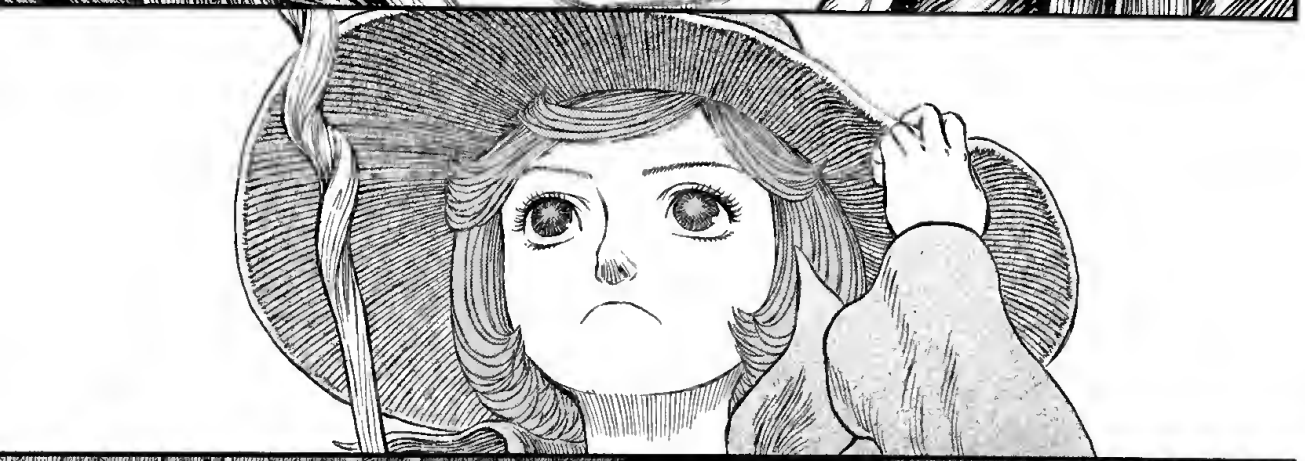

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*BLASSSSH

!
I'M RESPONSIBLE FOR YOU...
FORGET THAT! I'M GOIN' TOO!
SCHIERKE, LOOK...!
YOU'RE NOT GOIN' IN THERE, ARE YA? IT'S ALL DAMP AND NASTY...
FEEL FREE TO WAIT OUTSIDE, IVALERA.
THIS SEEMS TO BE THE HEART OF THE DISQUIETING OD COVERING THE ISLAND.

THIS IS...
THE MON-KEY'S ...!
*SSSS
OH, NO...
ISIDRO ...!
*TNK
?!
*SWAY
*CHOOOSH

*KSSSSH
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THESE ARE...
...FROM THE GHOST SHIP...!!
...SUPPOSE THESE THINGS ATE THOSE GUYS?
YOU DON'T...
...!!
...ISIDRO.
*FX: ZHMMM
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...BUT AREN'T THESE A LITTLE SMALLER?
THEY'RE JUST AS GROSS, THOUGH.
BUT THEY ARE DEFINITELY THE SAME TYPE OF CREATURES AS BEFORE.

...WHA ?!
NO...!
SCHIERKE !
*LUNGE
*WRAP

THAT'S INCREDIBLE !!
WHAT HAPPENED NEXT !?!
THEN WHAT?! THEN WHAT?!
UH, NEXT, I, UH...
I GOT IN CLOSE TO IT RIGHT WHEN IT FIRED THE BOLT! THEN I EVADED THE AXE IT SWUNG DOWN AT ME...
THEN, WHAM! I SLASHED IT RIGHT ON ITS SIDE...!
REEL IN THOSE EYES, SON.
THEN I SHIFTED BACK AROUND AND FINISHED IT OFF WITH A MAGIC DAGGER TO THE FLANK!
THAT WAS THE END OF THE GIANT BOSS TROLL!
WOWWW.
THAT'S AMAZING ...
HUH.
THAT REALLY HAP-PENED ...?

WAIT... WHAT ?!
ALL I'VE GOT'S THE SCAB-BARD ?!
AH, CRAP! DID I DROP IT SOMEWHERE ?!
...I'LL JUST HAVE TO PROVE IT BY SHOWIN' IT TO YA!
FINE! IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME...
I BELIEVE YOU.
I WASN'T JUST BRAG-GIN'...!
YOU JUST EXAGGER-ATED A LITTLE.
H-HOLD ON A MINUTE!
I BELIEVE YOU!
THE OUTSIDE WORLD'S A WILD PLACE.
YOU'VE GOT AN ELF WITH YOU! IT ONLY MAKES SENSE IF YOU'VE HAD ALL THOSE ADVENTURES!
.....

EEEEEEK
*SWAYYY
MIGHT THIS BE WHAT YOU SEEK?
*SPURT
WHAT KINDA SEAWEED ARE YOU?!
HERE.
*THRUST
THIS IS A RARE ITEM. YOU REALLY NEED TO BE MORE RESPONSIBLE WITH IT.
CARE-FUL!
WHOA!
THAT'S RIGHT! THOSE WERE SOME NAUGHTY TENTACLES!
I JUST HAD A HORRIBLE TIME THANKS TO SOME-BODY!
...AHH
*CHOO
YOU'RE EVEN SCARIER THAN USUAL!!
WH-WHAT'S UP?! WHAT HAPPENED?!
FOR THE RECORD, IT'S ALL HIS FAULT!

GOT 'EM!
OH.
*GRAB
YOU TWO MUST BE ISIDRO'S FRIENDS, RIGHT?
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU GOT HIT BY THE SAME WAVE THAT HIT HIM.
DON'T BY SHY, COME IN AND GET WARMED UP!
IS THAT THE DAGGER ?!
...WELL THANKS.
WHAT'S GOIN' ON?! YOU'RE ON DRY LAND, BUT YOUR FACE LOOKS LIKE A DEEP-SEA FISH!
*SSSMM

*FWOM
THIS GIRL, SHE'S...

幻造世界〈ファンタジア〉篇／妖精島の章

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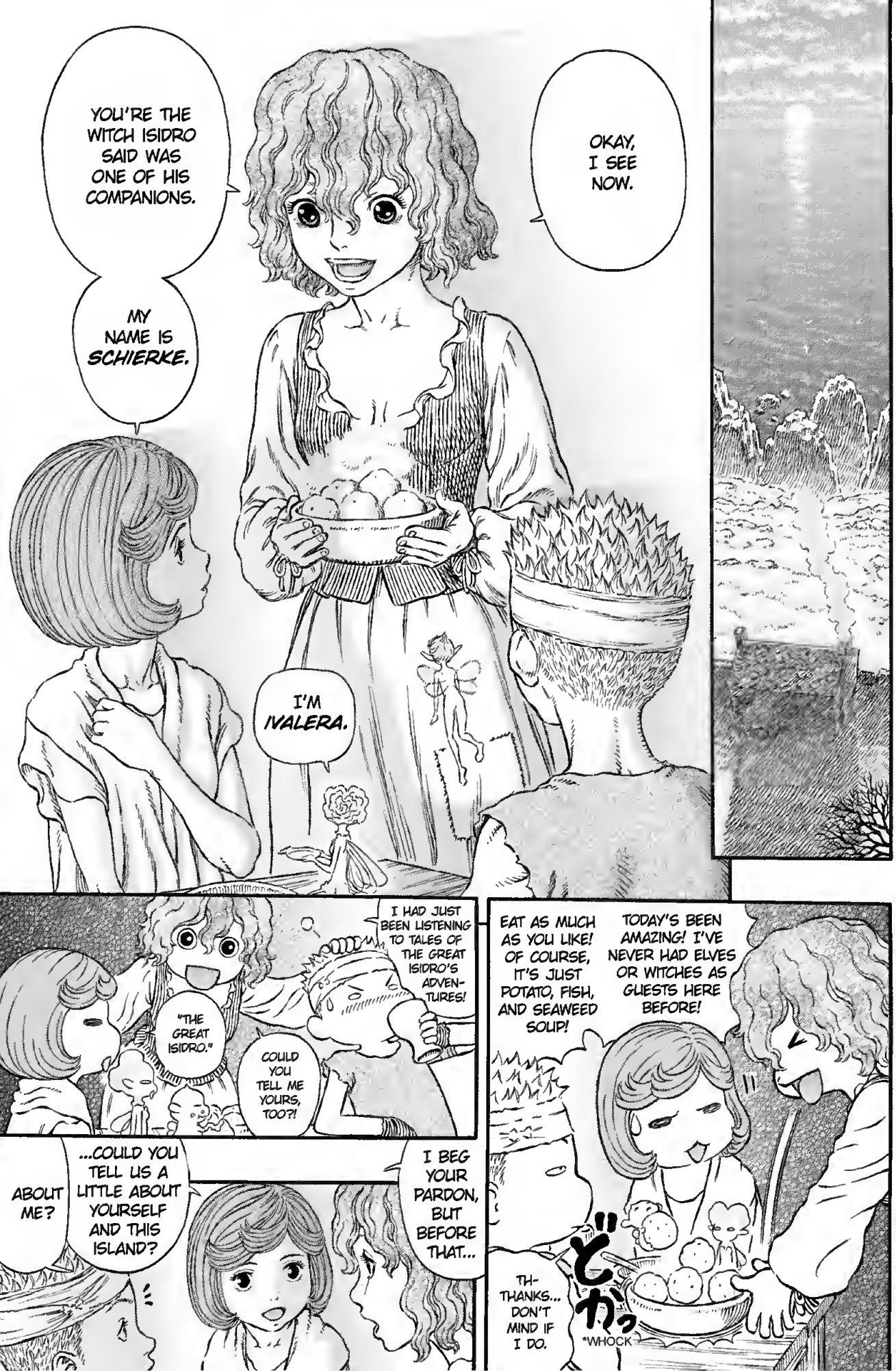
DENIZENS OF THE SINISTER SEA


YOU'RE THE WITCH ISIDRO SAID WAS ONE OF HIS COMPANIONS.
OKAY, I SEE NOW.
MY NAME IS SCHIERKE.
I'M IVALERA.
I HAD JUST BEEN LISTENING TO TALES OF THE GREAT ISIDRO'S ADVENTURES!
"THE GREAT ISIDRO."
COULD YOU TELL ME YOURS, TOO?!
EAT AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE! OF COURSE, IT'S JUST POTATO, FISH, AND SEAWEED SOUP!
TODAY'S BEEN AMAZING! I'VE NEVER HAD ELVES OR WITCHES AS GUESTS HERE BEFORE!
TH-THANKS... DON'T MIND IF I DO.
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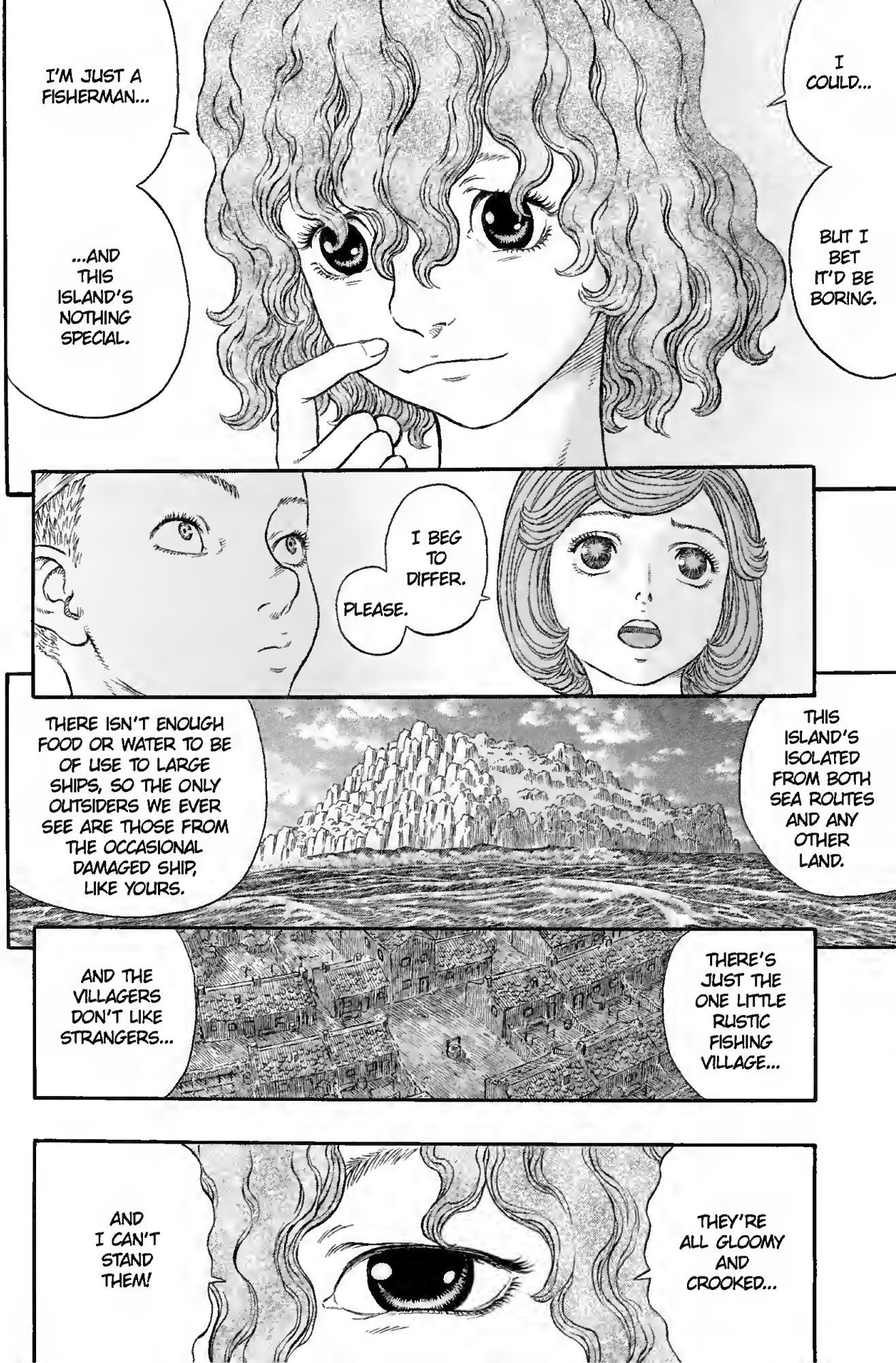
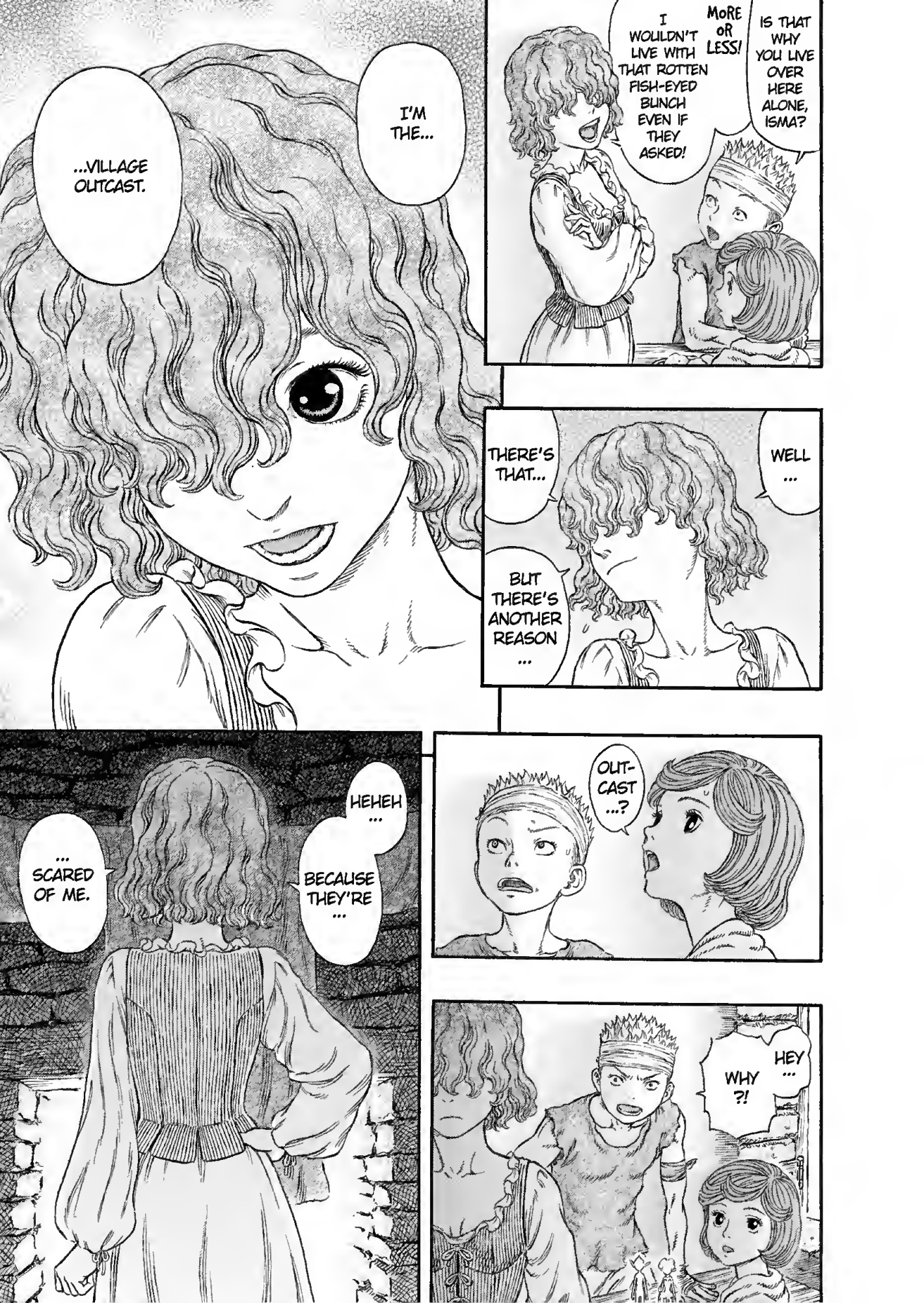
*WHOCK
I BEG YOUR PARDON, BUT BEFORE THAT...
...COULD YOU TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF AND THIS ISLAND?
ABOUT ME?


I'M JUST A FISHERMAN...
...AND THIS ISLAND'S NOTHING SPECIAL.
I COULD...
BUT I BET IT'D BE BORING.
I BEG TO DIFFER. PLEASE.
THERE ISN'T ENOUGH FOOD OR WATER TO BE OF USE TO LARGE SHIPS, SO THE ONLY OUTSIDERS WE EVER SEE ARE THOSE FROM THE OCCASIONAL DAMAGED SHIP, LIKE YOURS.
THIS ISLAND'S ISOLATED FROM BOTH SEA ROUTES AND ANY OTHER LAND.
AND THE VILLAGERS DON'T LIKE STRANGERS...
THERE'S JUST THE ONE LITTLE RUSTIC FISHING VILLAGE...
AND I CAN'T STAND THEM!
THEY'RE ALL GLOOMY AND CROOKED...


I'M THE...
...VILLAGE OUTCAST.
IS THAT WHY YOU LIVE OVER HERE ALONE, ISMA?
I WOULDN'T LIVE WITH THAT ROTTEN FISH-EYED BUNCH EVEN IF THEY ASKED!
MORE OR LESS!
WELL ...
THERE'S THAT...
BUT THERE'S ANOTHER REASON ...
OUT-CAST ...?
HEHEH ...
BECAUSE THEY'RE ...
... SCARED OF ME.
HEY ...
WHY ?!

YOU SEE...
...I'M A MERROW.
A MERROW ...?
JUST KIDDING! JUST KIDDING! DID YOU THINK I WAS SERIOUS?!
DID I GETCHA GOOD ?!
THAT WAS JUST A JOKE ?
...
*PUH
*AHAHAH
I GUESS I JUST WANTED TO THINK OF MYSELF ALONG-SIDE WITCHES AND ELVES!
YOU'LL HAVE TO FORGIVE ME!
*NGYOHH
しゅた!
ギョ"
*FWMP
IS THAT EVEN RIGHT?

...USED TO BE WITH ONE.
MY DEAD PA...
BUT IT'S TRUE THAT A MERROW IS WHY I'M AN OUTCAST.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
*FX. FWAP FWAP
MY MA WAS ALREADY GONE BEFORE I CAN EVEN REMEMBER.
I SWIM AS WELL AS A MERROW...
...BUT I COULD SOAK IN THE SEA ALL DAY AND MY LEGS WON'T TURN INTO A TAIL FIN.
SORRY TO DISAPPOINT. I'M HUMAN.
YOU REALLY ARE A...?
S-SO DOES THAT MEAN ...
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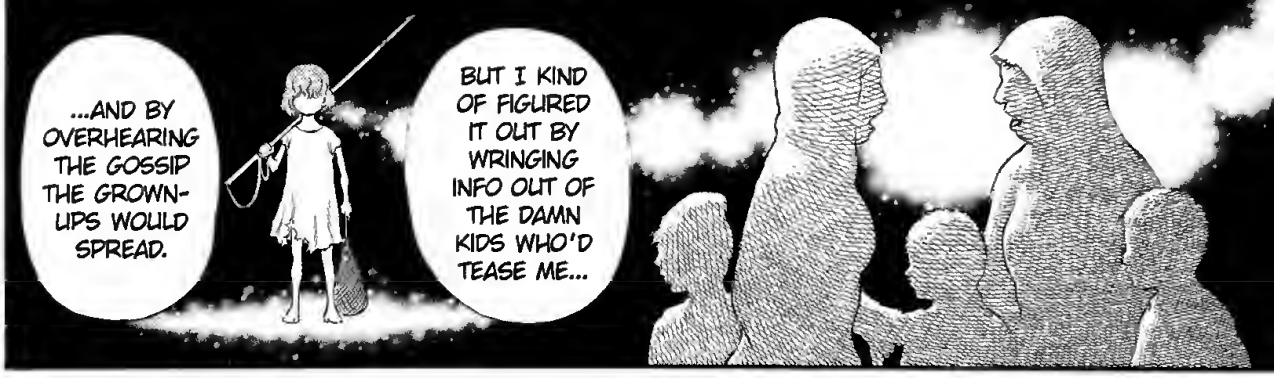
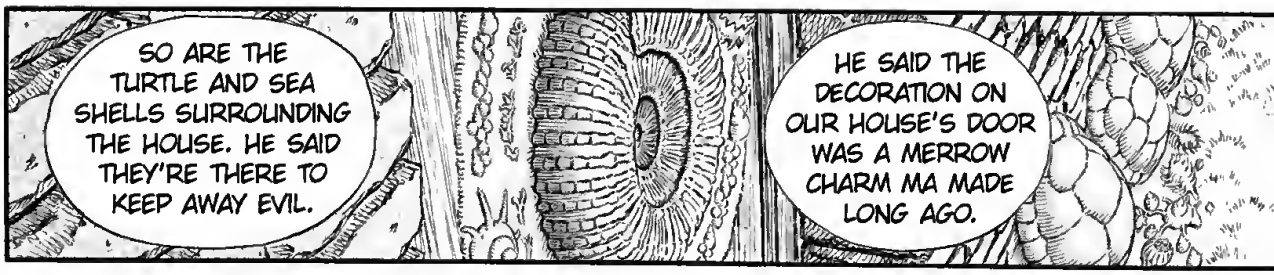
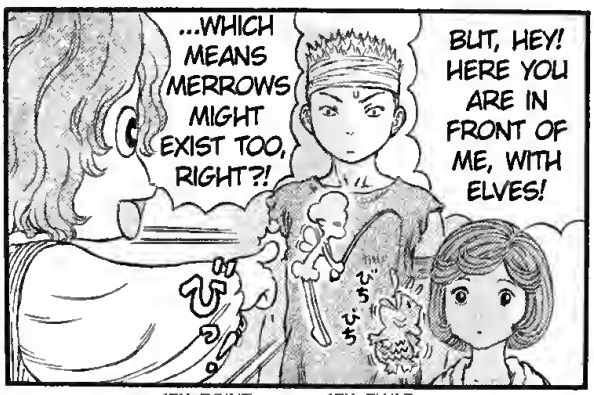
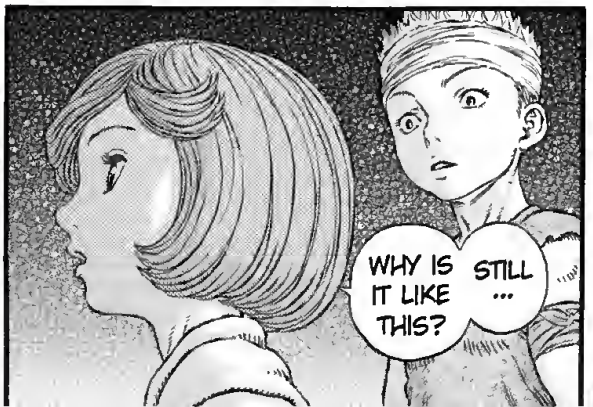
PA WOULD NEVER TALK ABOUT HER...


...AND BY OVERHEARING THE GOSSIP THE GROWN-UPS WOULD SPREAD.
BUT I KIND OF FIGURED IT OUT BY WRINGING INFO OUT OF THE DAMN KIDS WHO'D TEASE ME...

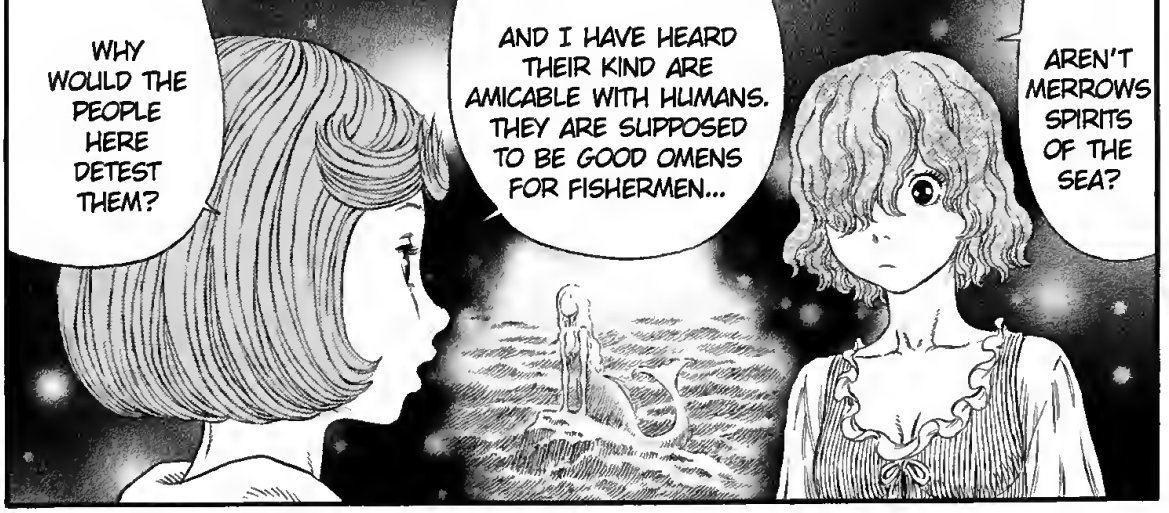
...HE SAID SOMEDAY, MY MA WOULD COME FOR ME.
AS HE WAS DYING...
FOUR YEARS AGO, A STORM CAPSIZED MY PA'S BOAT...


SO ARE THE TURTLE AND SEA SHELLS SURROUNDING THE HOUSE. HE SAID THEY'RE THERE TO KEEP AWAY EVIL.
HE SAID THE DECORATION ON OUR HOUSE'S DOOR WAS A MERROW CHARM MA MADE LONG AGO.

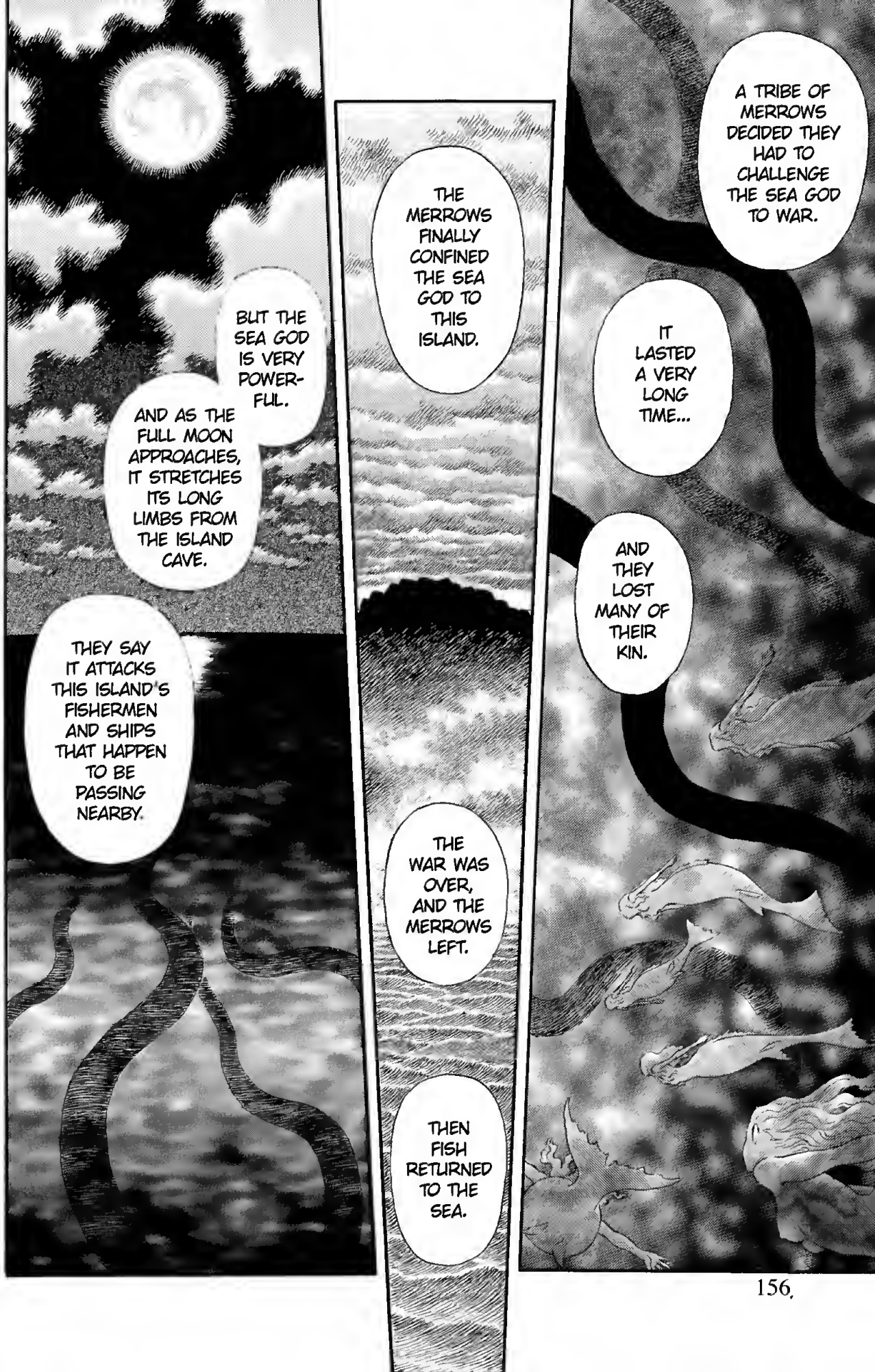

...WHICH MEANS MERROWS MIGHT EXIST TOO, RIGHT?!
BUT, HEY! HERE YOU ARE IN FRONT OF ME, WITH ELVES!
*FX: POINT
*FX: FWAP


WHY IS IT LIKE THIS?
STILL ...

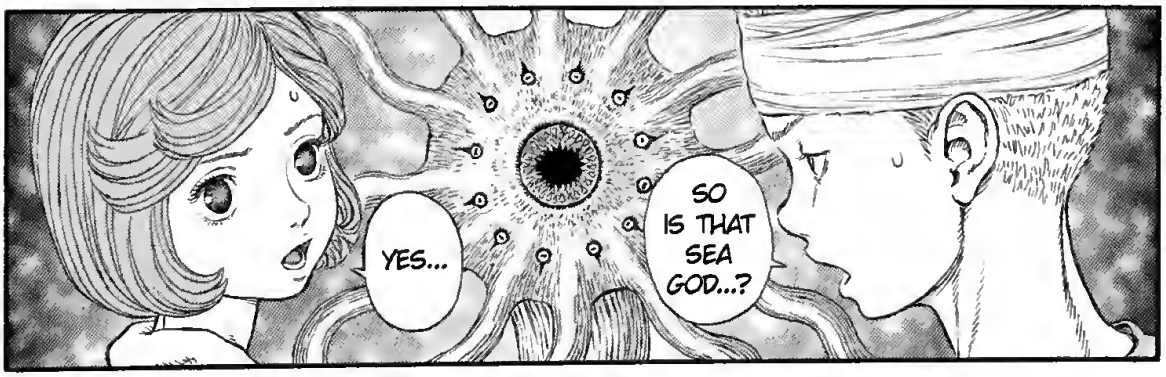
I'M NOT EVEN SURE I BELIEVE ALL THAT STUFF...
BUT I'VE NEVER ONCE SEEN A MERROW.
EITHER WAY, I GOT BUSY JUST LIVING FROM DAY TO DAY, AND NONE OF IT SEEMED IMPORTANT ANYMORE ...

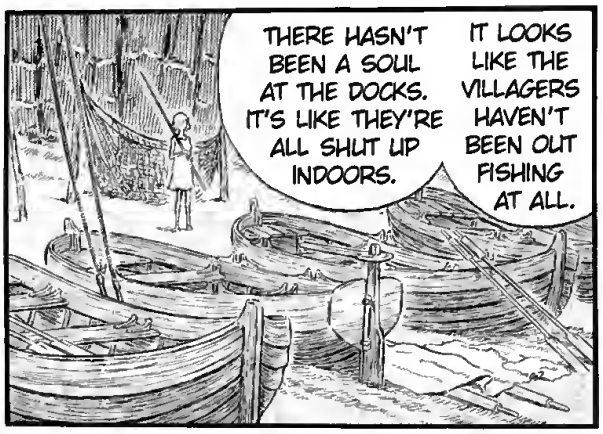

WHY WOULD THE PEOPLE HERE DETEST THEM?
AND I HAVE HEARD THEIR KIND ARE AMICABLE WITH HUMANS. THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE GOOD OMENS FOR FISHERMEN...
AREN'T MERROWS SPIRITS OF THE SEA?

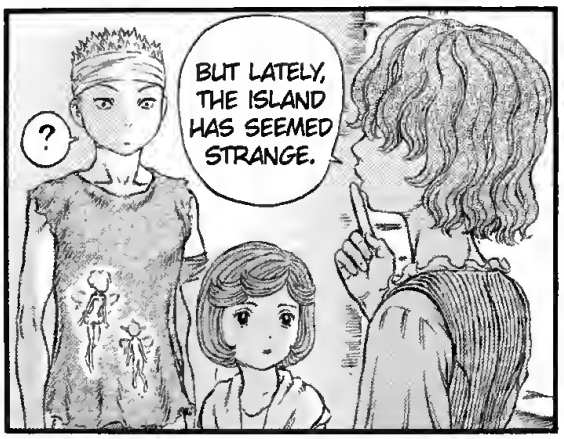
...OLD SEA-GOD LEGEND.
THAT'S BECAUSE OF THIS ISLAND'S...
IT ATTACKED SHIPS...
ATE PEOPLE...
AND CONSUMED ALL THE FISH.
IT WAS TURNING INTO A SEA OF DEATH, WITH NO LIVING THINGS IN IT.
A REALLY LONG TIME AGO, A TERRIBLE SEA GOD RAMPAGED THROUGHOUT THE SEA AROUND HERE.


A TRIBE OF MERROWS DECIDED THEY HAD TO CHALLENGE THE SEA GOD TO WAR.
IT LASTED A VERY LONG TIME...
AND THEY LOST MANY OF THEIR KIN.
THE MERROWS FINALLY CONFINED THE SEA GOD TO THIS ISLAND.
THE WAR WAS OVER, AND THE MERROWS LEFT.
THEN FISH RETURNED TO THE SEA.
BUT THE SEA GOD IS VERY POWERFUL.
AND AS THE FULL MOON APPROACHES, IT STRETCHES ITS LONG LIMBS FROM THE ISLAND CAVE.
THEY SAY IT ATTACKS THIS ISLAND'S FISHERMEN AND SHIPS THAT HAPPEN TO BE PASSING NEARBY.

...SO THEY RESENT THE MERROWS, EVEN THOUGH THEY SUPPOSEDLY BENEFITED FROM THEM.
THEY'RE SOME STINGY CREEPS!
THE ISLANDERS ARE AFRAID OF AROUSING ITS ANGER...


YES...
SO IS THAT SEA GOD...?


THERE HASN'T BEEN A SOUL AT THE DOCKS. IT'S LIKE THEY'RE ALL SHUT UP INDOORS.
IT LOOKS LIKE THE VILLAGERS HAVEN'T BEEN OUT FISHING AT ALL.

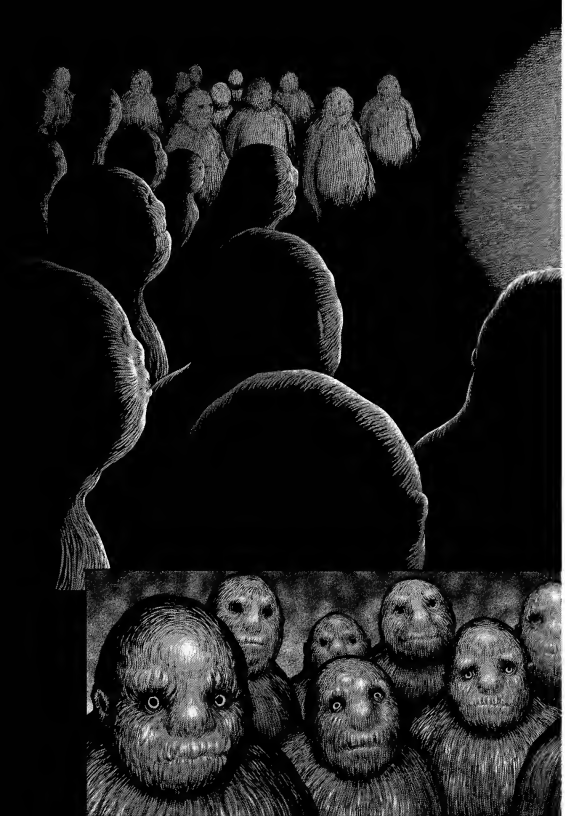
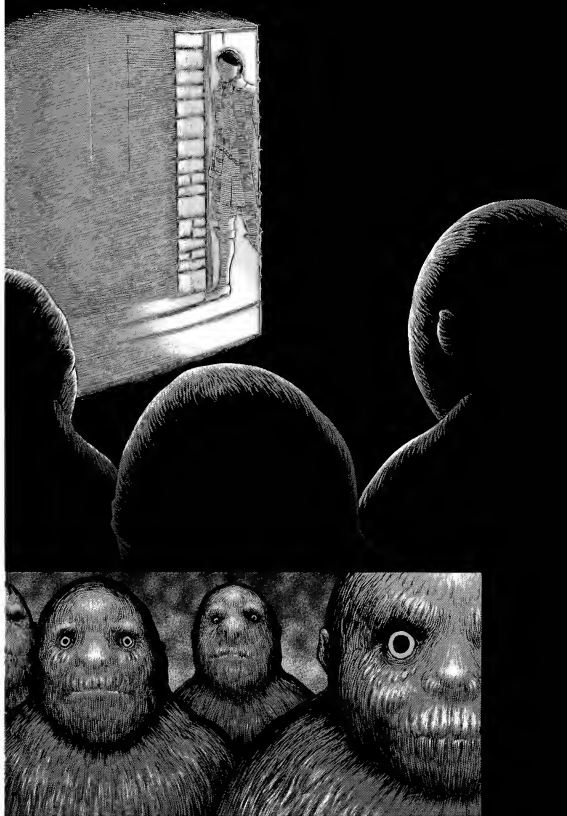

?
BUT LATELY, THE ISLAND HAS SEEMED STRANGE.

LOOKED MORE LIKE FISH EYES.
THEY KINDA DIDN'T LOOK HUMAN...
I SAW SOME OF THEM STARING AT ME THROUGH A WINDOW CRACK WHEN I HAPPENED TO PASS BY...

...CREEPING SOUNDS COMING FROM THE SEA GOD'S CAVE.
SOME-TIMES I ALSO HEAR...

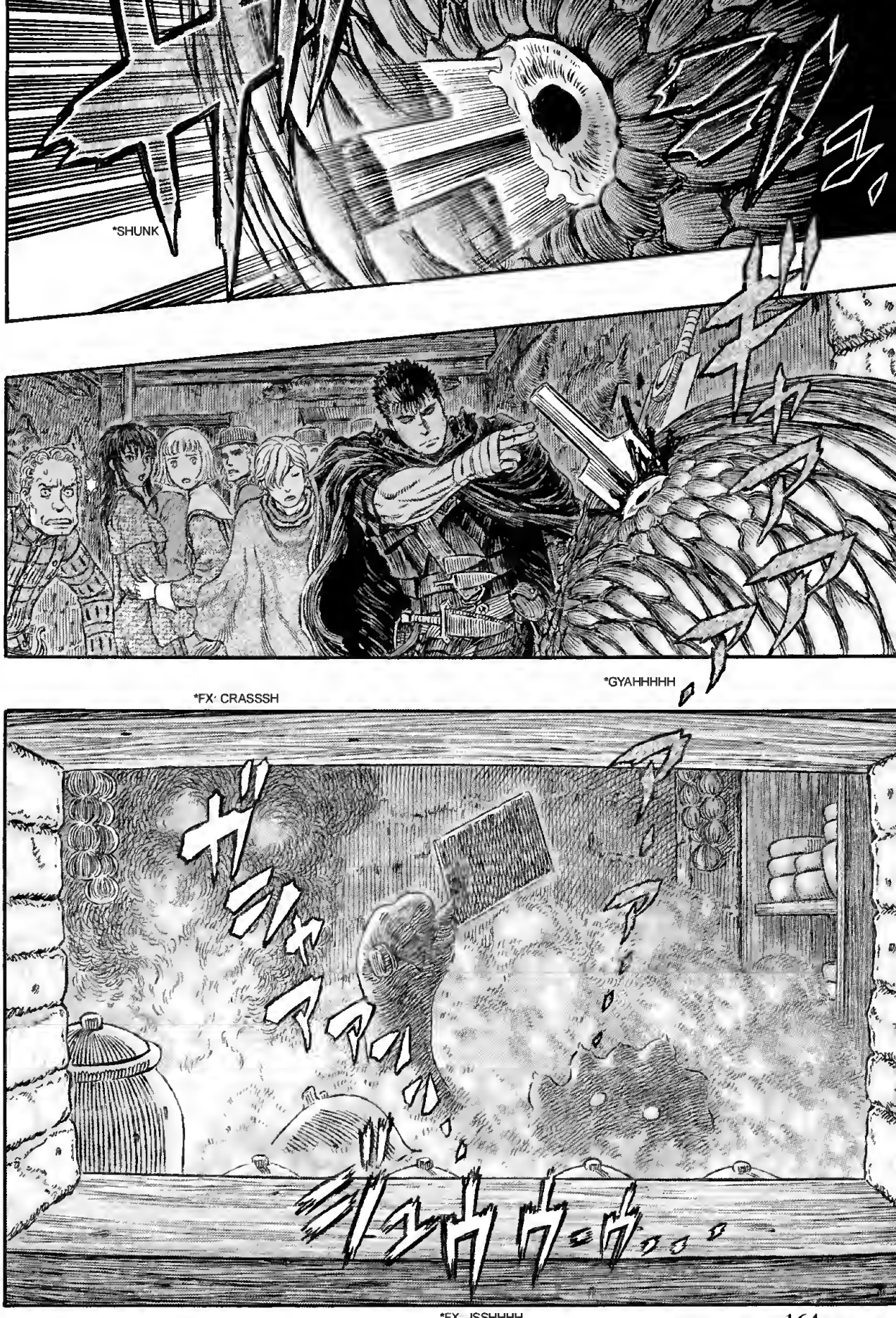
IT'S NOT JUST THE ISLAND.
I ALSO...
...SENSE STRANGE PRESENCES...
AND HEAR VOICES IN THE SEA.
AND THEN...
...I MET YOU GUYS. THE END!
...IT'S LIKE THE WORLD'S GONE ALL BIZARRE EVER SINCE THAT STRANGE WIND BLEW THROUGH.
WIND ...

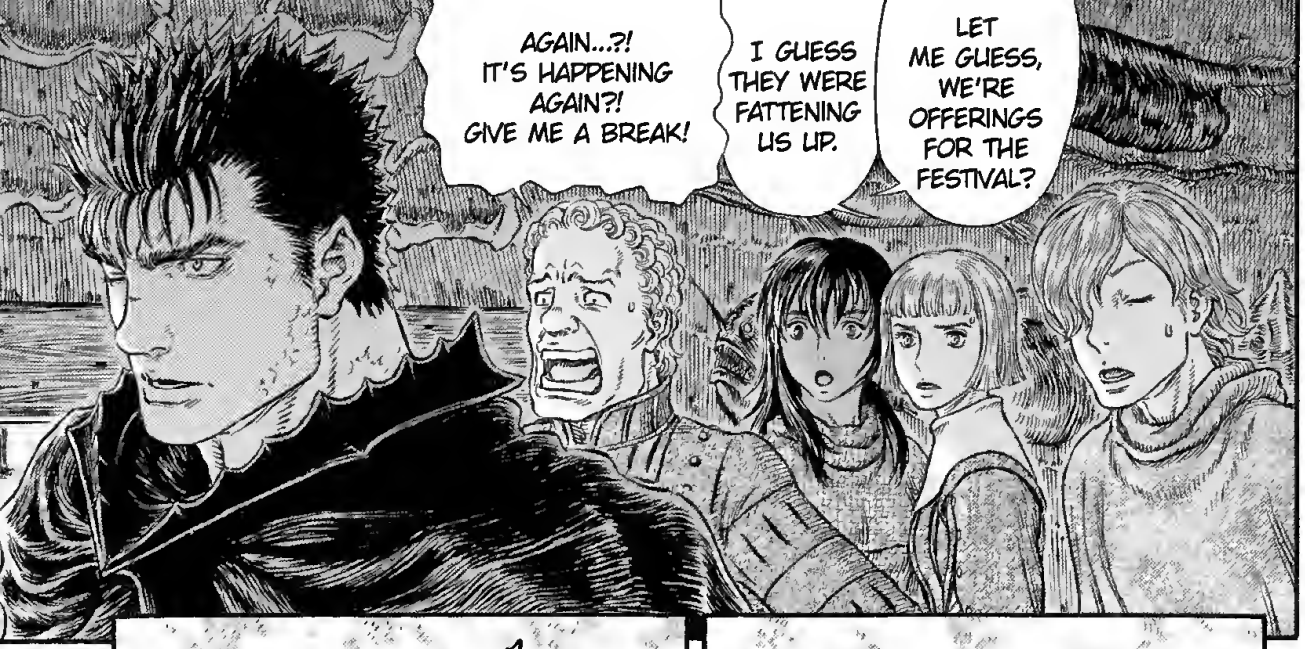
HOW DID YOU EVER MAKE IT AS A TRADER WITH YOUR CONSTITUTION ?
THAT WAS SOME MEAGER FOOD, BUT I DON'T ASK FOR MUCH RIGHT NOW. ALL I NEED'S A NIGHT OF SOUND SLEEP IN A BED THAT DOESN'T MOVE, AND I'LL HAVE NO COMPLAINTS.
MY SENTI-MENTS EXACTLY.
THE MAN IN CHARGE SITS IN ONE PLACE AND RUNS THE SHOW!
SH-SHUT UP! IT'S MY SUBORDI-NATES' JOB TO RUN ALL AROUND THE WORLD!
*FX. POKE
*FX KREEE
...HM ?
THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HARD WORK.
IN THE AFTERNOON WORKS, TOO.
WELL, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE SHIP, SO WE'LL COME GET YOU IN THE MORNING.
GOOD NIGHT.

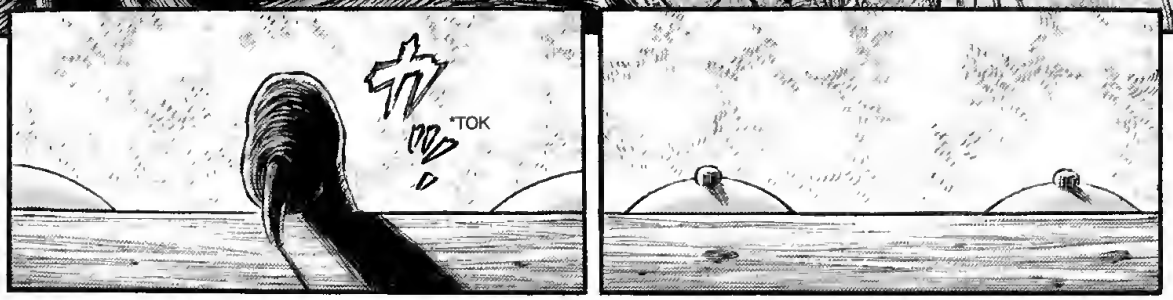



WHAT, CUSTOMERS? THINGS SURE GOT BUSY SUDDENLY.
HAS THE ENTIRE VILLAGE TURNED OUT TO WELCOME THEIR FIRST VISITORS IN A LONG TIME? I LIKE THAT NICE RURAL HOSPITALITY, BUT THEY'LL BE FLOORED WHEN THEY FIND MEMBERS OF THE RENOWNED VANDIMION FAMILY HERE.
.....
ACTUALLY, THIS DOES NOT LOOK GOOD...
NO, NO. WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU AS OUR GUESTS.
*FX SHFF
TONIGHT IS A FULL MOON...
AND IT'S A SPECIAL ONE...
*SHFF

IT'S THE EASTER...
THONK
...OF THE SEA GOD...
...THE LORD OF THIS ISLAND.


*SHUNK
*GYAHHHHH
*FX: CRASSSH
*FX: JSSHHHH


AGAIN...?! IT'S HAPPENING AGAIN?! GIVE ME A BREAK!
I GUESS THEY WERE FATTENING US UP.
LET ME GUESS, WE'RE OFFERINGS FOR THE FESTIVAL?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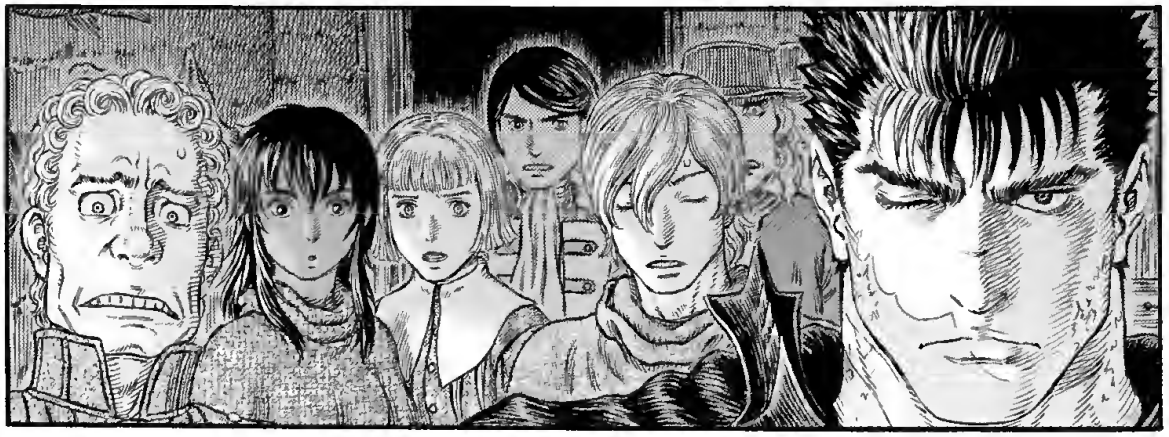
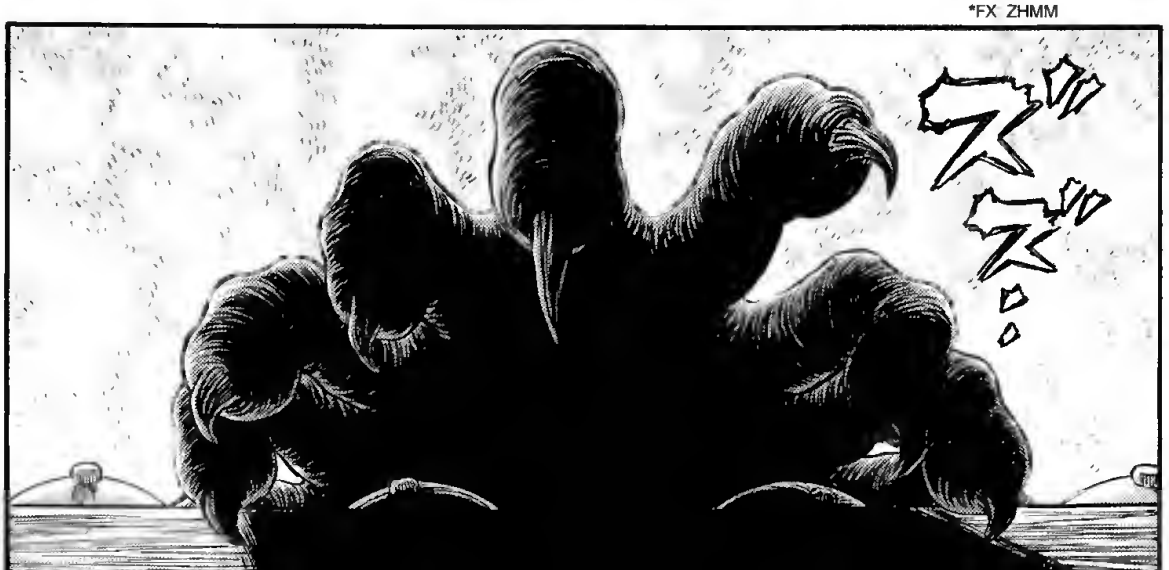
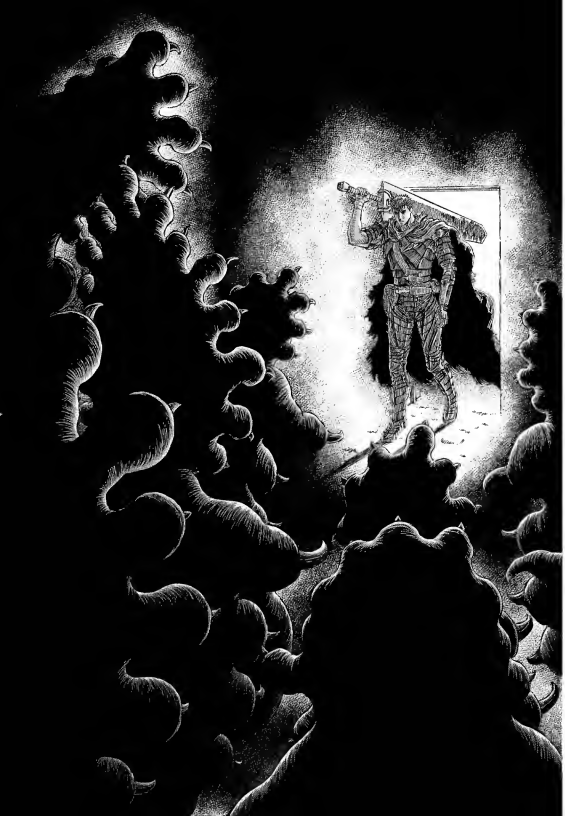
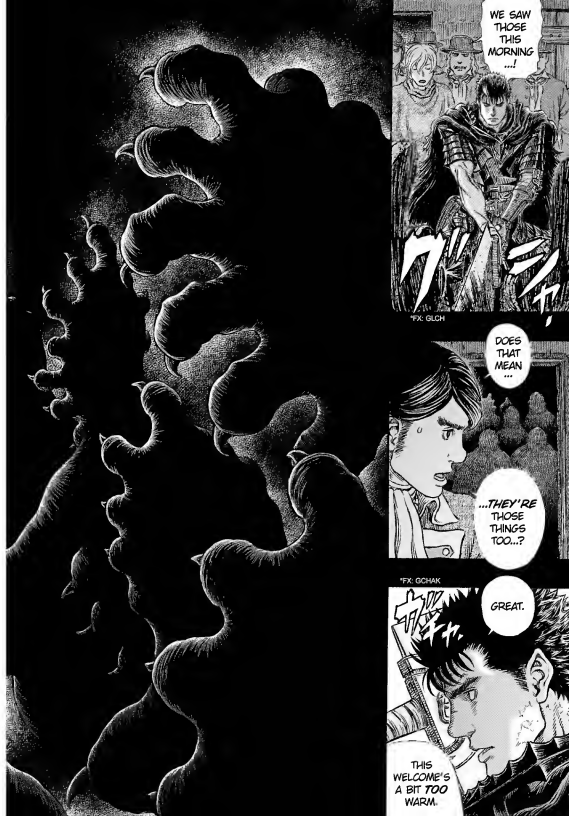



*FX ZHMM

*GRAB
*ZHOMM

WHOCK




WE SAW THOSE THIS MORNING ...!
*FX: GLCH
DOES THAT MEAN ...
...THEY'RE THOSE THINGS TOO...?
*FX: GCHAK
GREAT.
THIS WELCOME'S A BIT TOO WARM.

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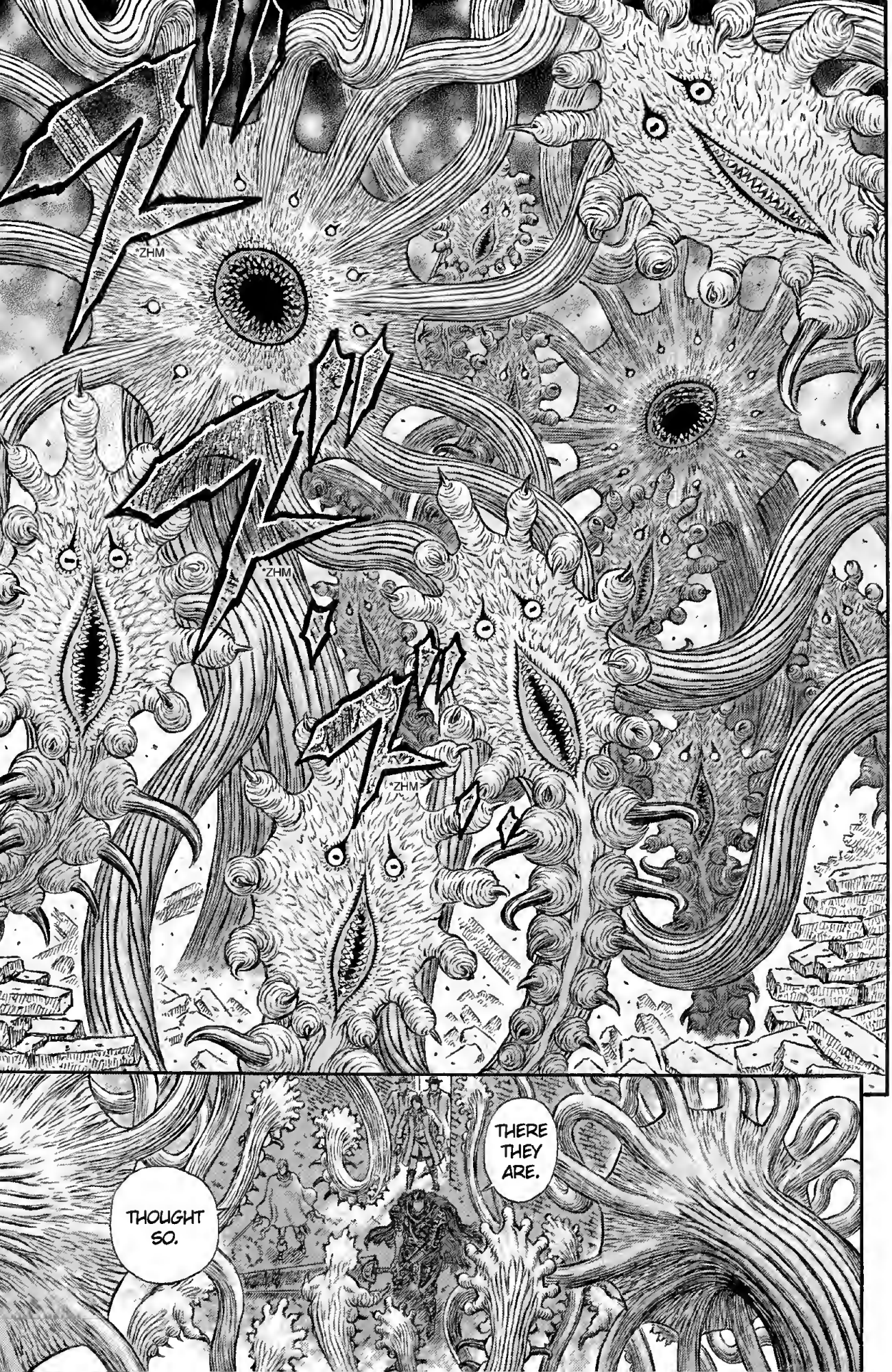
HUMAN TENTACLES

...!
WHAT ?
?
...SOMETHING MUST BE HAPPENING OVER THERE.
ISMA, I APOLO-GIZE.
I JUST REMEMBERED SOMETHING URGENT. I NEED TO GET BACK TO MY FRIENDS IN THE VILLAGE RIGHT AWAY.
YEAH? THAT SUCKS ...
YOU KNOW, I'LL TAKE YOU THERE.
IT'S DANGER-OUS FOOTING AT NIGHT, AND I KNOW A SHORT-CUT.

*VYUOHHH
*BLACH
*BLACH
THE SYLPH SWORD SEEMS MORE POWERFUL THAN USUAL.
THERE'S INDEED A FULL MOON.

*ZHMM
YEEE ...!
THEY'RE BACK THERE TOO...!
OH RIGHT, THERE WERE CUSTOMERS BACK THERE!
*POUNCE
*SLITHER
*ZHNK
*DOSH

*SHRAK
I'M SURPRISED TO LEARN OCTOPI CAN CHANGE INTO HUMANS!
CAN'T SAY IT MAKES ME WANNA EAT ANY MORE OF 'EM!
*ZHOM
*ZHOM
*ZHOM
THIS MIGHT BE THE ENTIRE VILLAGE'S POPULA-TION...
STILL, JUST HOW MANY LIMBS ARE THERE HERE?
*CLATA
*DOOOOSH
YEAH, THIS MANY ARMS CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING...
*FLAIL
*FLAIL


ZHM
ZHM
ZHM
THERE THEY ARE.
THOUGHT SO.

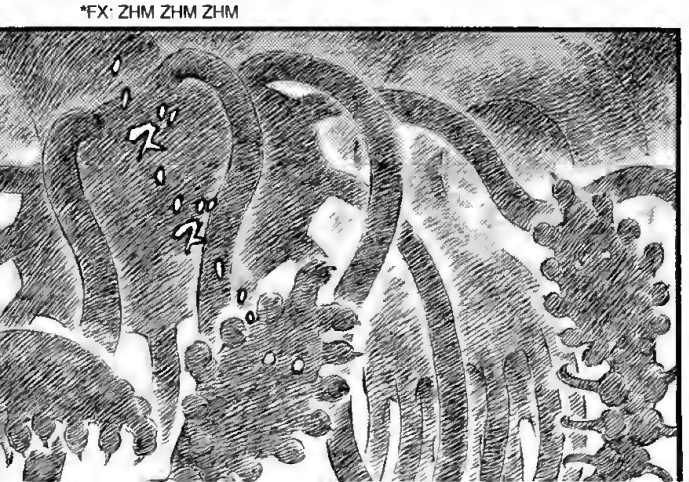
*WHOM
*CHONK
*DSSSH

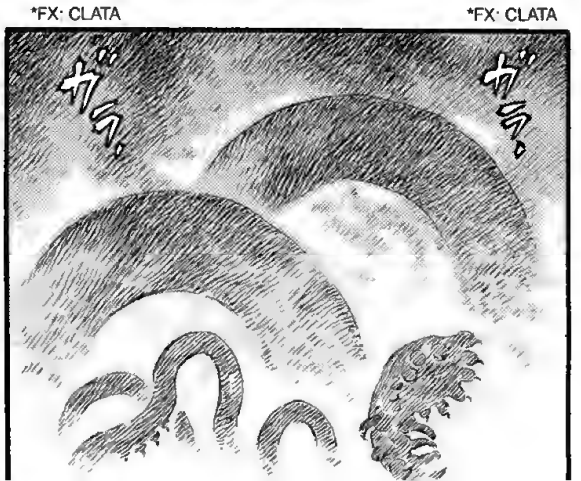
*CHFF
*SHOOM
*FSHHT
*WHMM
IT'S TOO THICK ...!!
ON YOUR RIGHT !!
GUTS ...!!
*CLANG

*SHLORP
*SPLAT

HEY, YOU OKAY ?!
GUTS!
YEAH.
*GCHAK

BUT WE'VE GOT PROBLEMS ...


*FX: ZHM ZHM ZHM

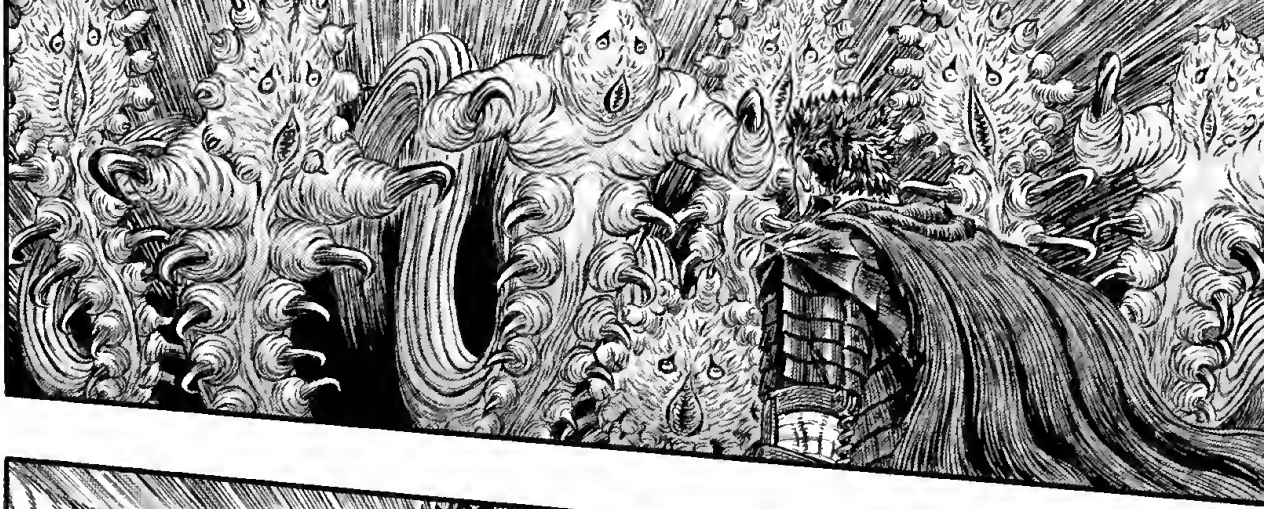

*FX: CLATA
*FX: CLATA

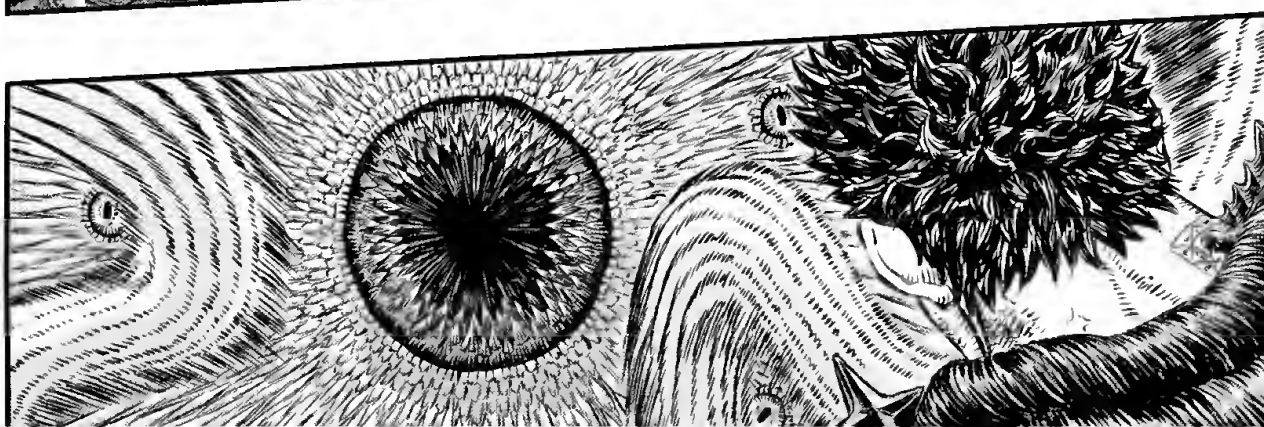
...RIGHT INTO A NEST OF THESE SEA SLUGS.

LOOKS LIKE WE DOVE...
TH--
THERE'RE SO MANY OF THEM ...!!
CAN YOU KILL THEM ALL...
...WITHOUT USING THAT POWER?

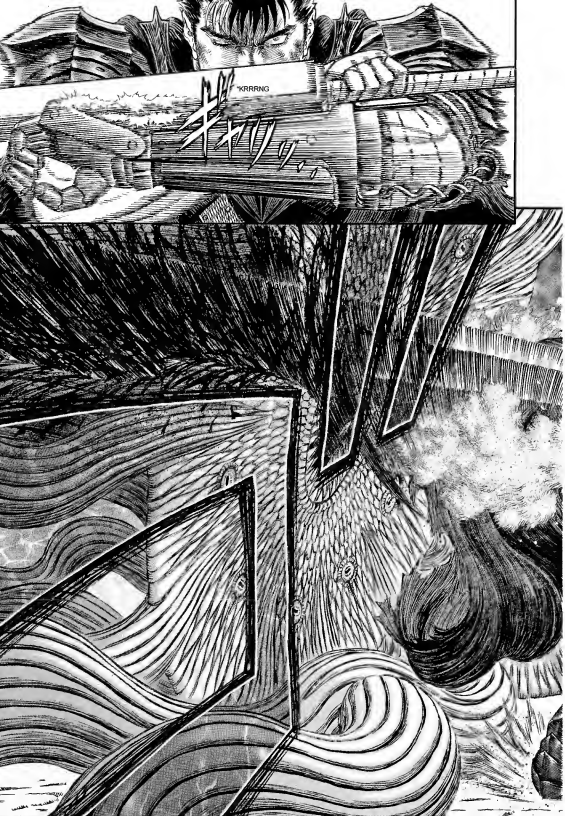
WHAT'S UP?
LET'S MOVE AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN.
IS THERE TROUBLE OVER THERE?
SCHIERKE ?
WATCH YOUR FOOTING IN THE DARK...
HEY, THAT THING'S PRETTY CONVEN-IENT.
WISH I HAD ONE FOR NIGHT FISHING.
LOOK.
WHAT'S THE HOLDUP?
...DOWN BY THE CAVE FROM EARLIER.
H.

?!
SOMETHING'S CLIMBING UP THE CLIFF.
*GRNCH
*KREEEEE
*GRNCH
*GRNCH





*DSSSH
*KRRRN
*KRRRN
*SKRAK
*ZASSSH
*BLOSH
*YANK


KRRRNG

SWOOM
SWOOM
CLACK
BOOM

...SHIT.
*FX: FWMP
HOW MANY TIMES AM I GONNA FIRE THIS THING TODAY?
*STUFF
GUTS ...!!
*DOOOSH
I'M GONNA HAVE TO CHARGE YOU FOR THE POWDER AND SHOTS, CAPTAIN.
YOU CAN HAVE A WHOLE KEG'S WORTH.
*KACHING
...BUT WE'RE SO SURROUNDED WE CAN'T EVEN GET OUT OF THE VILLAGE.
WE COULD AT LEAST BOMBARD THEM IF WE GOT BACK TO THE SHIP...
*ZHM
*ZHM
*ZHM
*ZHM
I KEEP CUTTIN' 'EM DOWN, BUT MORE KEEP SPRINGIN' UP.
THIS ISN'T LOOKIN' GOOD, THOUGH.
*ZHM

NO!!
?!
USE THAT POWER OF YOURS!
H-HEY, BLACK SWORDS-MAN!
!
YOU KNOW, WHAT YOU DID IN VRITANNIS, THE ONE WHERE YOU LOOK LIKE A BEAST...
THAT...
THAT POWER...
...MUST NOT BE USED!!
HE'S LIABLE TO ONCE AGAIN...
IF HE USES IT NOW WHILE MY MISTRESS ISN'T HERE...
*RMMMB
AU!
THEN HOW THE HELL DO WE GET OUTTA THIS...!!

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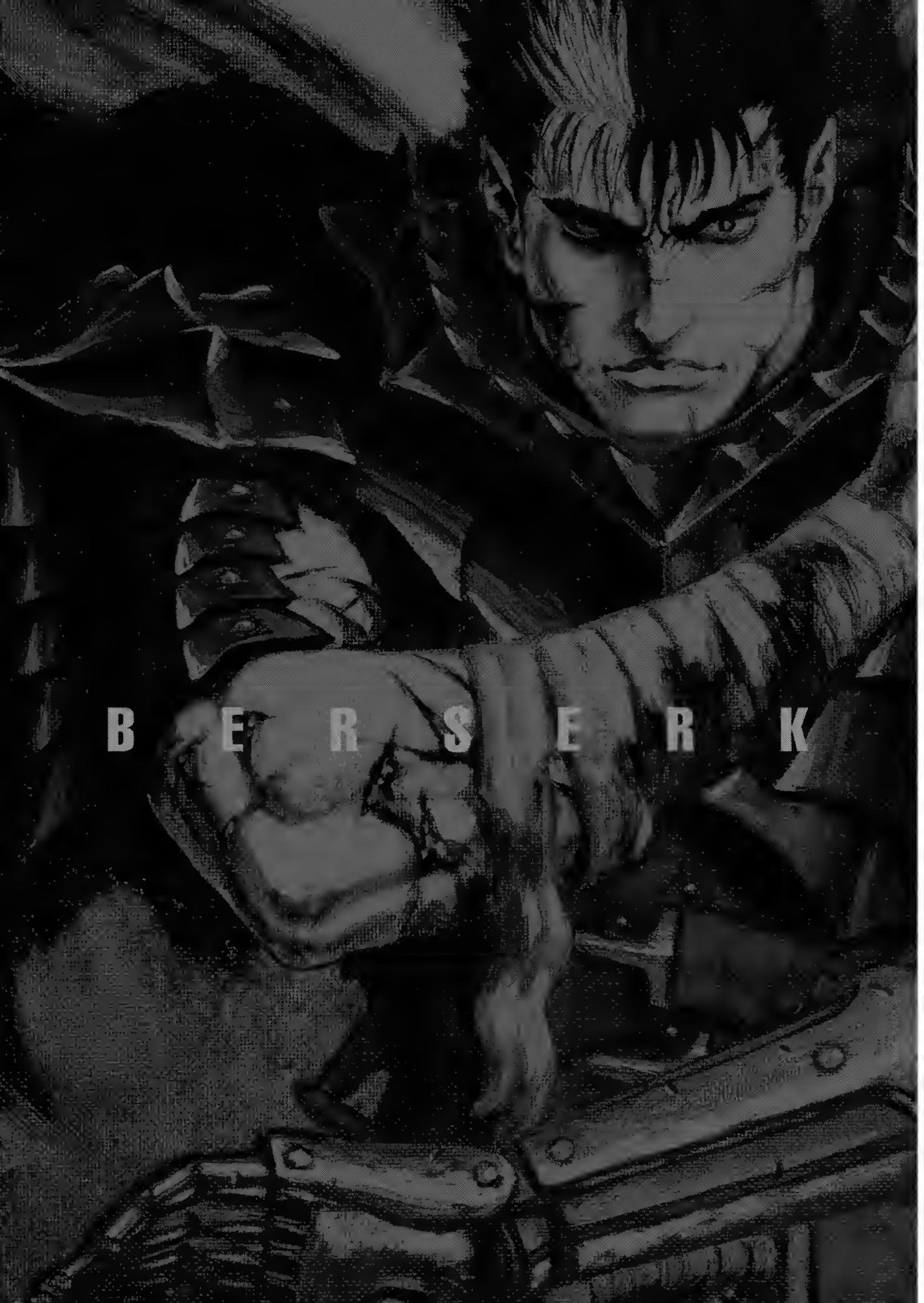
*RMMMB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THE TENTACLED SHIP

*ZHMZHM
*ZHMZHM
NOW I'VE SEEN EVERY-THING...
A--
A SHIP ?!
OHHH...

YO HO HO HO HO HO!
IMPOSSI-BLE...!! A SHIP ON LAND?!
THIS IS JUST TOO ABSURD !!
SCARED YA, DID WE ?!
THIS IS A GHOST SHIP!
ABSURD IS WHAT WE DO!!
*BRRMMB
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SORRY TO BE GREETIN' YOU FROM SO HIGH UP!! 'TIS I, BONEBEARD !!
ONCE I SMELL THE SCENT OF BLOOD, I'LL FOLLOW IT LIKE A SHARK HOWEVER FAR I HAVE TO!!
MAYBE IT'D BE *NICE* TO HAVE A GHOST SHIP.
BOTH LITERALLY AND FIG-URA-TIVELY.
I NEVER THOUGHT I'D LOOK UP TO A PIRATE.
THERE HE IS...!
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU CHOSE TO STOP RIGHT HERE IN OUR ROOST!
AND YOU'RE ALL A BUNCH OF FOOLS!
IGHHH
VINDICTIVE-NESS IS THE IRONCLAD RULE OF SURVIVAL IN THIS HARSH WORLD OF PIRATING!!
HAR HAR HAR!! I'M HONORED TO EARN YOUR ADMIRATION!!
BUT WE ALL DIED, SIR.
JUST SO YOU KNOW, THESE TENTACLES DIDN'T CHANGE INTO HUMANS.
THEY'RE ALL LITERALLY HANDS AND FEET FOR THE SEA GOD.
EVERYONE WHO LIVES IN THIS VILLAGE IS ON OUR SIDE.

...AND YOU'LL BE BRETHREN OF THE SEA, JUST LIKE US!!
THERE'S A MONSTER INSIDE THE SHIP...?!
AND AT THE RISK OF REPEATIN' MYSELF...
AYE...
SURPRISED, ARE YE?
...YOU'VE JUST BEEN CUTTIN' OFF ITS WHISKERS.

THIS SHIP WILL DEVOUR YOU...
IT'S THE OPPOSITE!
HUMANS WHO GET EATEN TURN INTO TENTACLES!
POKE
IT'LL HAPPEN TO YOU TOO, SOON ENOUGH!

AND TONIGHT'S FULL MOON IS SPECIAL!
SEEMS IT'S THE EASTER OF THE SEA GOD!
THAT GETS EVEN THESE GLOOMY FISHERMEN EXCITED!
ZHM ZHM ZHM ZHM ZHM ZHM

SO LAST TIME WE RAN OUT OF TIME...
BUT THIS TIME'S DIFFERENT. THE SUN ONLY JUST SET.
IT'S NOCTURNAL, YOU SEE. IT GOES BACK TO ITS DEN ONCE THE SUN RISES.
RIGHT, BRETHREN ?!
ZHM ZHM ZHM

...YOU'RE COMPLETELY REBORN, AND THEN THE *FUN* BEGINS!
DONNN'T WORRY!
ONCE YOU'RE SWALLOWED WHOLE AND DIGESTED BIT BY BIT...
...THIS FEAST WHERE WE LAST LEFT OFF!!
NOW LET'S RESTART...
I DON'T WANNA BE A TENTACLE!
NOOOO!
*BATHUMP

WAIT!!
...NO!!
AT LEAST WAIT UNTIL I'M THERE...!!
*ZHMZHMZHM

NO
...!!

FLEX
FLEX
FLEX
SPRING

BDOOOM
GUTS...!!
TONK

*RRRLL
WHAT IS THIS GUY?!
WHA--
*FX: FLEX FLEX
*FX: KRSH

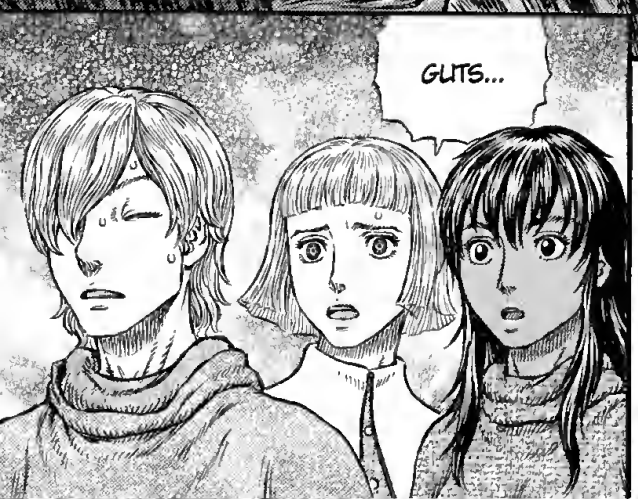
*GROLL
*LEAP
*KRACK

*VSSSHH
TAKE THIS...!!
*SHOM
RIGHT THROUGH THE ARMORED HULL...?!
WHA ...?!
*MWOHHHH
*WHAPPP
*FLAIL

*SPRING
*SPIN
*SHNK
*SHNK
*SHNK

WHOCK
VSHAHHH
*DSSHH

*RRRRL


GUTS...

I'VE SEEN IT BEFORE, BUT I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE HE CAN *DO* THAT.
ALL HE NEEDED WAS A LITTLE PROVOCA-TION.
AHH ...!

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RMMBLL
HA?!
HA?!
G--
GIANT SEA HARES AND A SHIP ARE ATTACKING THE VILLAGE!
IT'S KINDA FUNNY WHEN YOU SAY IT OUT LOUD.
AREN'T THOSE SLUGS?
CRAP!
IT'S STARTED ALREADY!
...!!

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STOP

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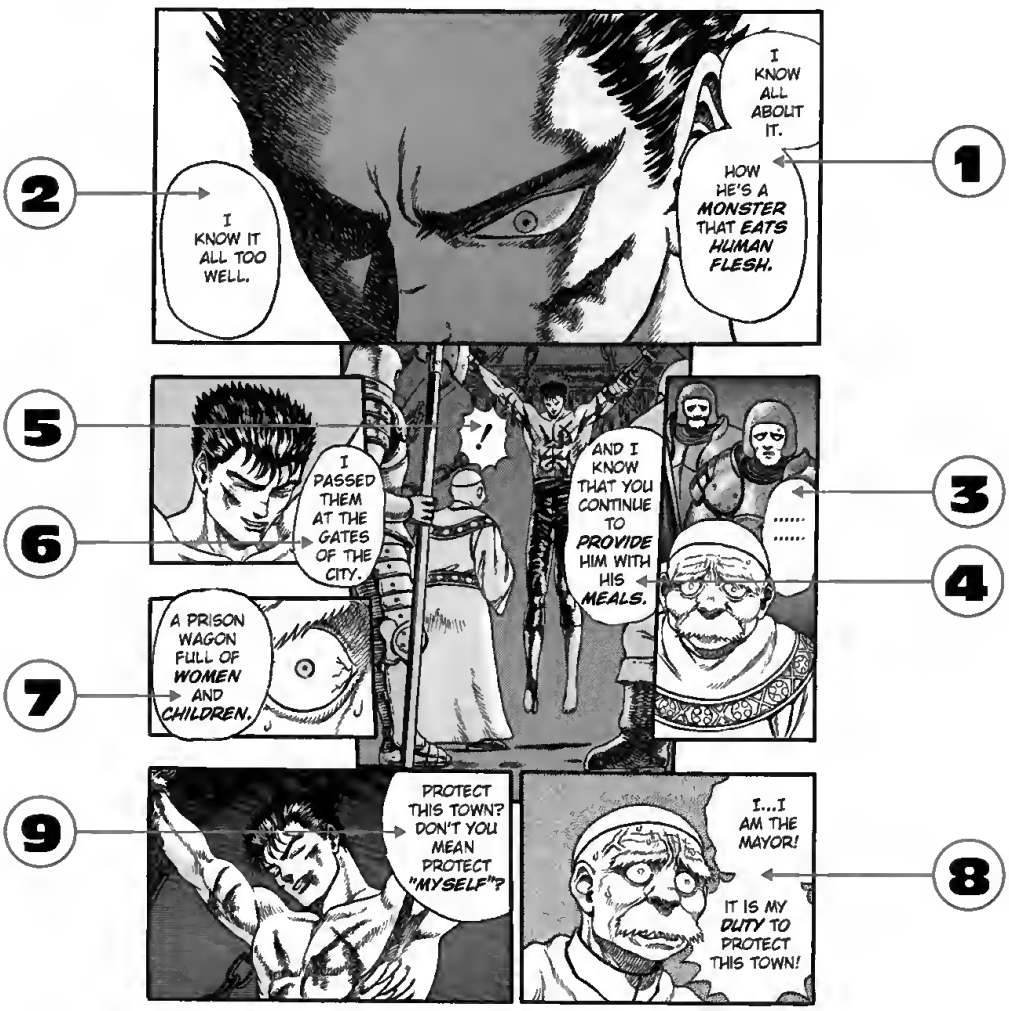

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